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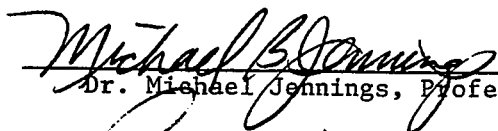
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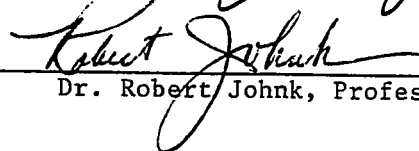
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## ABSTRACT

### DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF A LABORATORY-SCALE LIQUID-INJECTION CONTINUOUS-FLOW INCINERATOR

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The feasibility of developing a student laboratory for the thermal destruction of model hazardous wastes in a continuous-flow, liquid-injection incinerator was investigated.

The proposed system was found to be versatile in the type of feeds that can be used, and is simple to operate and maintain. A detailed design for the incinerator, including auxiliary support equipment, is presented, with specifications for all parts. All flow, pressure, and temperature measurement systems have been assembled. These are automated and have been interfaced to a laboratory computer that has been configured for experimental data acquisition. Since the unit is to function as a laboratory, special care has been taken in design of safety features. In particular, a flame safeguard system that complies with current fire safety standards has been designed, constructed and tested.



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## CHAPTER 1. INTRODUCTION

### 1.1 Background

Hazardous wastes, in the form of gases, liquids, solids or sludges, are produced continuously in industrialized societies. The challenge is to manage such wastes while minimizing air, water, and soil contamination. The traditional, untreated methods of disposing of hazardous wastes in landfills, lagoons, and injection wells require disposal sites and present potential contamination hazards, as well as high costs. These are being replaced by alternative disposal methods, such as physical/chemical/biological treatment [1] or thermal destruction (incineration). Advantages of incineration as a waste disposal method include reduced waste volume and possible energy recovery. In current incineration technologies, hazardous wastes are burned, with or without auxiliary fuels, at high temperatures, above 900 degrees celsius, in industrial furnaces, cement kilns, or boilers. Tests of properly-designed thermal destruction systems have proven their capability of achieving high overall degrees of destruction for a broad range of hazardous waste organics. It is believed that incineration will become one of the major

treatment technologies for organic waste destruction, particularly as disposal sites become less available and as the numerous environmental catastrophes resulting from improper or inadequate disposal practices are discovered.

A number of incineration technologies have been developed for handling hazardous wastes. The well-established incinerator designs are:

- Rotary Kiln
- Fixed Hearth
- Liquid Injection
- Fluidized Bed
- Circulating Bed

Since many useful design guides and examinations of design principles have been published [2,3,4], a detailed discussion of the various technologies are beyond the scope of this paper. Here, we will focus on our choice for investigation, which is "liquid injection."

There are several reasons for the selection of liquid-injection incineration as our laboratory model. According to estimates by the Congressional Budget Office, about 20% of the total hazardous wastes generated each year contain organics and can be incinerated. Table 1 contains the estimates of total and incinerable wastes generated in 1983. About 43% of the total liquid waste is waste oils. Among 285 incinerators (1987 data) in the EPA hazardous waste data management system [5], the liquid-injection type of incinerator was most widely used in the U.S.A.. Other

attractive features of the liquid-injection incinerator are its relative simplicity and its applicability to the study of fluid flow and atomization principles. Of the alternative reactor designs, rotary kilns are mostly widely used since they can handle a large variety of feedstocks, including drums, solids, and liquids. However, they are generally applicable to large-scale operations. Fluidized-bed incinerators are increasingly used in industry for handling inorganic residues, such as sodium sulfate and sodium chloride; however, gas residence times are short, and an after-burner is usually required in order to achieve the necessary burnout. The simplicity of the liquid-injection process makes it convenient to examine process variables. After consideration of these points, the liquid-injection system was chosen for use in our engineering laboratory.

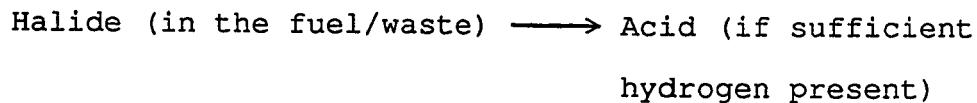
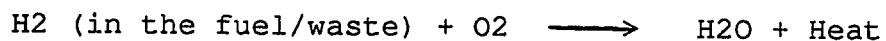
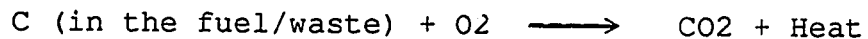
Table 1. Quantities of Incinerable Wastes Generated  
in the U.S.A. 1983

| Type of Waste                 | Quantity<br>Generated<br>(MMT) | Current<br>Percentage<br>Recycled/<br>Recovered | Quantity<br>After<br>Recycled/<br>Recovered<br>(MMT) |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------------|---|--|
| <b>Liquids:</b>               |                                |   |  |
| Waste oils                    | 14.25                          | 11  | 12.68  |
| Halogenated solvents          | 3.48                           | 70  | 1.04   |
| Nonhalogenated solvents       | 12.13                          | 70  | 3.64   |
| Other organic liquids         | 3.44                           | 2   | 3.37   |
| Pesticides/herbicides         | 0.026                          | 55  | 0.012  |
| PCB                           | 0.001                          | 0   | 0.001  |
| Total liquids                 | 33.33                          | 38  | 20.74  |
| <b>Sludge and Solids:</b>     |                                |   |  |
| Halogenated sludges           | 0.72                           | 0   | 0.72   |
| Nonhalogenated sludges        | 2.24                           | 0   | 2.24   |
| Dye and paint sludges         | 4.24                           | 0   | 4.24   |
| Oily sludges                  | 3.73                           | 5   | 3.54   |
| Halogenated solids            | 9.78                           | 0   | 9.78   |
| Nonhalogenated solids         | 4.58                           | 0   | 4.58   |
| Resins, latex, monomer        | 4.02                           | 65  | 1.41   |
| Total sludges/solids          | 29.31                          | 10  | 26.51  |
| Total incinerable wastes      | 62.64                          | 25  | 47.25  |
| Total hazardous wastes        | 265.60                         | 6   | 249.28   |
| MMT = millions of metric tons |                                |   |  |

Source: E. Timothy Oppelt, "Incineration of Hazardous Waste A  
Critical Review," JAPCA 37:559 (1987).

## 1.2 Combustion Fundamentals and Parameters [6]

Knowledge of air movement, fuel characteristics and heat and mass transfer rates is required for understanding the combustion process. To initiate and maintain combustion, three elements must be present. These are fuel, oxygen, and an ignition source; in waste incineration, the waste often serves as fuel if it has a high enough heating value. In this work, the terms "fuel" and "waste" are used interchangeably. The oxygen usually comes from ambient air, which contains about 21% oxygen and 79% nitrogen by volume. The fuel is composed mainly of carbon and hydrogen. Some fuels contain other components, such as oxygen, sulfur, chlorine, nitrogen, and inorganics. A simplified combustion reaction can be described as the rapid oxidation of fuel accompanied by the production of heat:



More commonly, fuel and air enter the combustion zone and must mix before reaction is possible. In complete combustion, the conversion of all carbon in the fuel into carbon dioxide (with a trace amount of carbon monoxide), that of all hydrogen into water or some inorganic acids, and

that of all chlorine into hydrogen chloride with some chlorine gas ( $\text{Cl}_2$ ), can be described by no reaction above for chlorine. Assuming complete combustion, the majority of sulfur will be converted to sulfur dioxide ( $\text{SO}_2$ ), and nitrogen will be converted into different forms of oxides of nitrogen ( $\text{NO}_x$ ) depending on combustion conditions.

Equilibrium can be approached in the high temperature oxidation of organics, for which the reaction rate is very fast. However, true equilibrium is seldom reached, due to mixing and kinetic limitations which slow the overall reaction rate. At the slower rate, the fuel/air mixture does not have sufficient residence time at high temperature for complete conversion. In incomplete combustion, organics are decomposed into smaller species. Products of incomplete combustion (PICs: aldehydes, ketones, alcohols, and acids) are formed as these fragments combine with oxygen or hydroxide radicals.

For a process to approach complete combustion, fuel molecules and intermediate decomposition products must be mixed with oxygen in the proper proportions and ignited. Good mixing is also required and the mixture must be held at a high enough temperature, as well as for a long enough residence time, to achieve high combustion efficiency and correspondingly low emissions of partially oxidized products. Consequently, thermal decomposition technologies

focus on three parameters: residence time, temperature, and turbulence (mixing). Here, we focus on how these variables are designed for liquid-injection systems.

### 1.3 Combustion of Liquid Fuels or Liquid Wastes in A Liquid-Injection Incinerator [7,8,9]

In conventional liquid-injection incinerators, liquid fuels are introduced through the burner assembly, sprayed into the combustion chamber as relatively fine droplets, and burned in suspension. Three basic processes are involved in the combustion of liquid wastes. These are: formation of droplets, heating and vaporization of droplets, and kinetically-dependent ignition and combustion of vapor. The combustion process is complicated by heat and mass transfer between the droplets and the surrounding gas phase.

The most important portion of the liquid-injection incinerator is the burner through which wastes and air are delivered. Once sprayed or atomized, the waste must be thoroughly mixed with sufficient air (primary air or combustion air) to provide oxygen for combustion. The primary air is introduced through baffles in a wind-box designed to impart swirl to the air and increase turbulence (and hence mixing). Minimum primary air pressure required



for safe burner operation must be established prior to attempting ignition. Ignition of the combustible mixture of atomized waste and air is accomplished by its exposure to gases which are already circulating within the burner zone and are above the ignition temperature. Thus, the combustion chamber must be brought to a prescribed temperature using conventional fuels before the waste is introduced. If the waste has a high enough heating values, combustion may be sustained using waste alone, once a steady state is achieved.

## CHAPTER 2. OBJECTIVES

The ultimate objective of the project described is to design and build a laboratory-scale, liquid-injection, continuous-flow incineration system.

There are three projected uses for this unit: educational, experimental, and research. The primary function of the incinerator is as a laboratory, to demonstrate concepts for undergraduate courses in chemical engineering. These concepts include flow in tubular pipes, overall gas-phase reaction kinetics, adiabatic flame temperature, heat recovery, fuel heating values, and emission concentrations. For this function, the incinerator will be used to combust a well-known liquid fuel, kerosene. A second function of this unit is to add a laboratory component to ChE 177, Combustion and Air Pollution Sources. Experiments will be designed to demonstrate the dependence of pollutant formation on fuel composition and combustion temperature, and the dynamic response of the combustion flue gas composition to changes in operating parameters, for example, the ratio of "wastes" to combustion air. For this function, model "hazardous wastes" can be selected; for example, a polymer blend with low heating values. A third function of the laboratory is to generate student projects

in combustion research and in related areas, such as stack gas treatment and automated process control. The unit is to be supplemented by a computerized data acquisition system that will record the flow rate measurements for air, natural gas, and waste oil, temperature measurements, and emissions concentrations measurements. It is the specific goal of this work to design, construct, and test the data acquisition system and the control and safety features of the incinerator.

## CHAPTER 3. DESIGN APPROACH

### 3.1 Design Criteria

In addition to the design considerations discussed in the introduction, regarding efficiency of combustion of the wastes, an operating hazardous waste incineration system must meet guidelines established by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). This section gives an overview of performance criteria required for compliance.

There are several national performance standards that must met (see Appendix F for a detailed discussion). The first of these requires 99.99% destruction and removal efficiency (DRE) for each principal organic hazardous constituents (POHC) [10] in the waste feed.

$$\text{DRE} = \frac{\text{Win} - \text{Wout}}{\text{Win}} \times 100$$

where Win = Mass feed rate of POHC in waste stream fed to the incinerator

Wout = Mass emission rate of the POHC in the stack prior to release to the atmosphere  
Second, at least 99% of hydrogen chloride in the exhaust gas should be removed if hydrogen chloride stack emissions are

greater than 1.8 Kg/Hr. Last, particulate matter emissions must be no greater than 180 mg/m<sup>3</sup>, corrected to 7% oxygen in the stack gas.

Another set of design criteria are the operational standards [11] that require a device to automatically shut off the waste feed to the incinerator when significant changes occur in flame temperature or excess air. For incineration of hazardous waste, the operating temperature, gas residence time, and excess air should be greater than 1000 deg C, 2 seconds, and 2 percent respectively. In case of waste which contains halogenated aromatic hydrocarbons, the incinerator should be operated at greater than 1200 deg C operating temperature, 2 seconds residence time, and 3 percent excess air. Combustion efficiency should be equal to or greater than 99.9 percent, where

$$CE = \frac{C_{CO_2}}{C_{CO_2} + C_{CO}} \times 100$$

CE = Combustion efficiency

C<sub>CO<sub>2</sub></sub> = Concentration of CO<sub>2</sub>

C<sub>CO</sub> = Concentration of CO

Also, process variables should be monitored and recorded in each operational burn: combustion temperature, CO and CO<sub>2</sub> concentrations in the exhaust gas on a continuous basis, and feed rate of waste, fuel, and excess air to the incineration

system at regular intervals of no longer than 15 minutes.

### 3.2 Design Basis

Before the process design can be properly embarked on, a certain body of information should be agreed upon by all concerned persons. This is called the design basis and is here broken into seven parts.

#### 3.2.1 Location of Incineration System

The system is to be located in the courtyard of the Engineering Building. An outdoor location was chosen to minimize potentially hazardous conditions, by providing ventilation in case hazards occur (such as leakage of small amounts of fuel oils having high volumetric heats of combustion, or leaks in gas piping routed through confined areas). In addition, the cost of fire control systems for an internal location would be prohibitive. Analytical equipment, including the emissions analyzer and personal computer, will be portable, and can be moved from storage inside the laboratory to the courtyard for experimentation.

### 3.2.2 Physical Properties of Liquid Fuels To Be Tested

[12,13]

At this design level, a maximum range of properties is specified, since actual fuel/wastes are unknown. Kerosene and Bunker C oil represent the typical range of properties expected.

|                        | KEROSENE (LIGHT OIL) | BUNKER C (HEAVY<br>OIL) |
|------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|
| VISCOSITY              | 2 CP at 68°F         | 60 CP at 210°F          |
| GRAVITY (API)          | 44 - 49              | 15                      |
| SPECIFIC GRAVITY       | 0.81 - 0.78          | 0.97                    |
| DENSITY (LB/GAL)       | 6.75 - 6.5           | 8.1                     |
| FLASH POINT (F)        | 110 - 130            |                         |
| AUTOIGNITION TEMP (F)  | 490                  | 765                     |
| FIRING TEMP (F)        | 68                   | 210                     |
| HEATING VALUE (BTU/LB) | 20000 - 210000       | 18000                   |

### 3.2.3 Combustion Chamber Unit

The combustion chamber dimensions were chosen to provide flexibility in reaction time, minimum size, and based on scales of analytical and control equipment. The combustion

chamber will have a 2.875-inch inside diameter (2.5-inch, Sch 40 Pipe) and be 6-feet long. Horizontally-aligned chambers are used for low ash wastes, while vertical units are preferred when wastes are high in inorganic salts and fusible ash content. Since the liquid wastes to be incinerated will not contain high ash, and a horizontal combustor is easier to inspect and service, the combustion chamber will be mounted horizontally.

#### 3.2.4 Burner Unit

An air-atomizing oil burner, of capacity 20,000 BTU/HR, will be specially designed for the laboratory model by COEN company. The burner will receive combustion and atomization air and/or steam and liquid at the firing temperature.

#### 3.2.5 Fuel Oil Storage Tank

A 17-inch inside diameter and 33.5-inch height storage tank, including agitator and heater, was adapted for use in this project. The tank hold enough material for six hours of operation and has double-wall design to contain leaks.



### 3.2.6 Residence Time

Based on published guidelines, it was decided that the amount of time that the liquid waste must spend in the incinerator, at a given temperature, will be at least one second.

### 3.2.7 Available Utilities

150 lb/hr at 100 psi of compressed air and 12 inches water column of natural gas are available from a nearby engineering laboratory. Water and electric power are available in the courtyard.

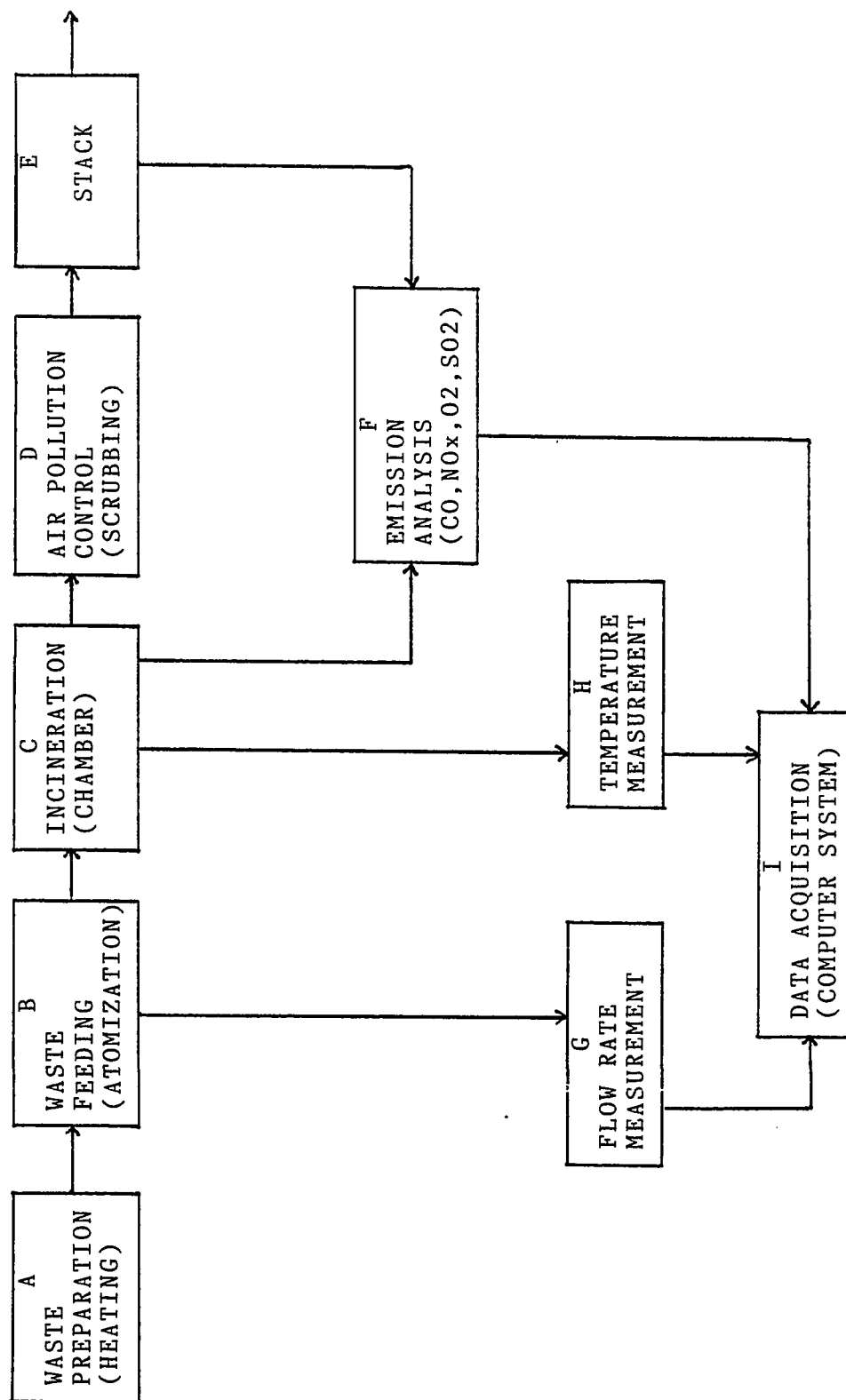
## CHAPTER 4. DESCRIPTION OF INCINERATION SYSTEM

### 4.1 Overview of The System

A block diagram showing individual processes (Figure 1) or group of operations, provides an overview of the incineration process. Please refer to notation on that figure in the following description of the process.

Liquid wastes must be pumpable and atomizable. Wastes are to be blended, or heated for heavy-viscosity liquid waste, then pumped from waste preparation (A) into the combustion chamber (C) through a specially-designed atomizing burner (B). Atomized liquid, in the form of fine droplets, is mixed in the burner with excess primary air to promote complete combustion. The ignitable mixture of atomized liquid (fuel and/or waste) and air burns in the combustion chamber. Following incineration, flue gases may need to be further treated in an air pollution control device (D), such as a packed tower absorber (acid gas removal), quench (gas cooling and conditioning), venturi scrubber (particulate removal), or dry scrubber for gaseous pollutant control. Combustion gases (flue gases) are sampled at several places through the combustion chamber and stack (E) and sent to the emissions analysis system (F) to determine concentration of

FIGURE 1. BLOCK FLOW DIAGRAM



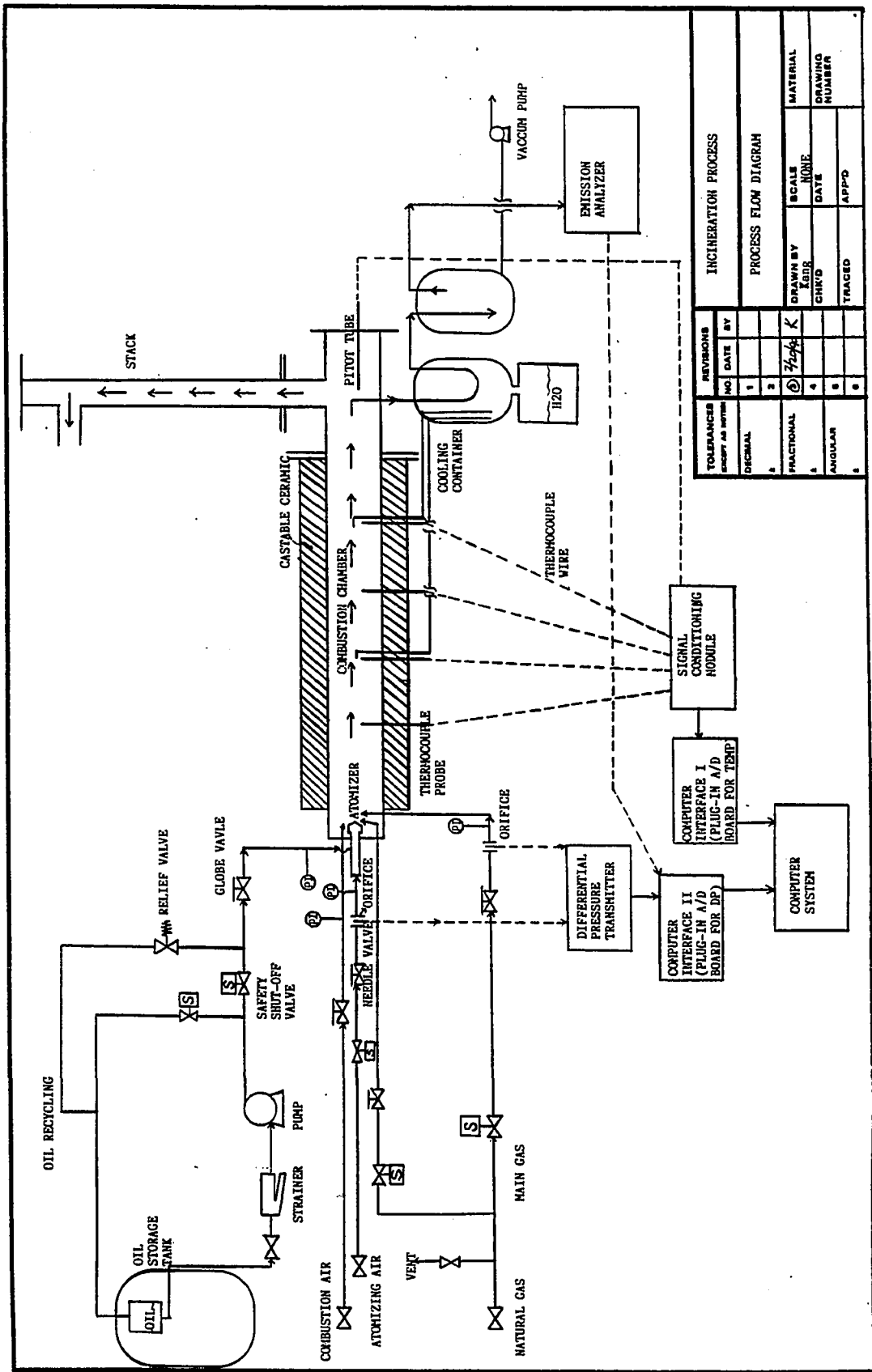
CO<sub>2</sub>, CO, NO, O<sub>2</sub>, SO<sub>2</sub>. These are monitored with respect to changing process parameters, such as the ratio of liquid and air flow rates. The flow rates of liquid wastes, air, and natural gas are calculated by the computer from the differential pressure measurement (G) across orifice taps. Temperature profiles through the combustion chamber and the temperature of the liquid waste in the tank will be recorded (H) by the data acquisition system (I).

#### 4.2 Process Description

Figure 2 shows the process flow diagram for the incinerator. The incineration system is divided into six subsystems: burner and flame safeguard control, combustion chamber and stack, flow rate and temperature measurement with data acquisition, piping and instrumentation, and sampling and emission analysis.

Liquid wastes or fuels in the storage tank must be prepared to ensure good atomization, which is required to achieve high destruction efficiency in the chamber. In order for a high viscosity liquid waste to be blended and delivered easily to the atomizing burner, a section heater (to lower oil viscosity) is installed in the storage tank.

FIGURE 2. PROCESS FLOW DIAGRAM



Wastes containing suspended particles may need to be screened to avoid clogging of small nozzle or atomizer openings. A strainer with particle retention size of 250 mesh is installed before the pump to remove such particles.

In our laboratory-scale system, a combination burner that is capable of burning gas or oil, or both, is installed at the front of the combustion chamber. In the atomizing burner, the prepared liquid wastes are atomized by compressed air at 30-40 psi into small droplets. These fine droplets must be vaporized before combustion can occur. This is usually accomplished by the initial heating from the flame. Vaporized fuel or waste is mixed with atmospheric air, which is pulled by a duct air fan beyond the burner nozzle. The mixture of vaporized waste and air will be ignited by its exposure to gases which are already circulating within the burner zone and are above the ignition temperature.

At startup, ignition is accomplished by a direct spark ignition unit, including spark igniter and flame sensor. The spark ignites the pilot gas directly, and then the pilot flame ignites the main burner. The burner system will be automatically controlled by a flame safeguard control unit in order to start, stop, or shut down safely. The control unit translates inputs from the flame detector (flame rod), which senses the presence or absence of a flame, so that

burner operation may be continued if conditions are safe, and interrupted if they are not. The inputs are used for sequenced control of the burner motor, ignition, and main liquid waste valve.

The ignited mixture is combusted in the chamber, and released to the atmosphere through the stack. The combustion chamber is a cylindrical, steel shell (6-inch inside diameter and 6-foot long) lined with a refractory material (castable ceramic). This is a non-metallic substance which can resist abrasion and endure high temperature (up to 3000° C), and is required since the interior of the incinerator can reach temperatures above 2000° C. The chamber is mounted in a horizontal position and the stack is vertically flanged at the end of the chamber.

Flow rates of liquid waste, air, and natural gas, temperature profiles through the combustion chamber, and emissions concentrations will be collected and simultaneously displayed on a computer screen. The data acquisition (computer interface system) converts the signals produced by the pressure transmitters and temperature sensors into a form that the computer can understand. Produced signals (currents or voltages) can be converted into the actual data by calibrated correlations between signals and actual data. A detailed description of the data acquisition system is in Chapter 6.

For safety of personnel and protection of property, careful consideration is given to the supervision and monitoring of conditions which may present a hazard. In this system, solenoid valves are used as safety shutoff valves for the liquid waste, atomizing air and natural gas lines. These are installed and integrated with the flame safeguard control unit. A detailed description of piping and instrumentation, including the interlocks and set point limits, is found in the following section.

Accurate and proper measurement of the emission from the incineration system is a critical measure of process performance. The EPA has provided guidance on the types and methods of sampling and analysis to be used in trial burns designed to measure facility compliance with the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) incinerator standards. A complete sampling system [14] operating continuously and unattended, is comprised of three major subunits: a pitot tube probe for temperature and velocity measurements and for gas sampling; a water trap unit with filter to trap particles of soot and fly ash and to remove excess moisture; and sensors to analyze oxygen, carbon monoxide, NO<sub>x</sub>, sulfur dioxide, and combustibles. A detailed description of the emission analyzer used in this work appears in the following chapter.



### 4.3 Piping and Instrumentation

The piping and instrumentation flowsheet (Figure 3) displays sizes of and specifications for all tubings and pipes, temperature and pressure switches, gages, and all valves, including safety valves. The proposed liquid fuel or waste flow rate, using the design basis in section 3.2 and the relation between pipe size, volumetric flow rate, and velocity, is given by

$$V = \frac{Q}{d \times NHV}$$

where, V : Maximum Volumetric Flow Rate of Kerosene

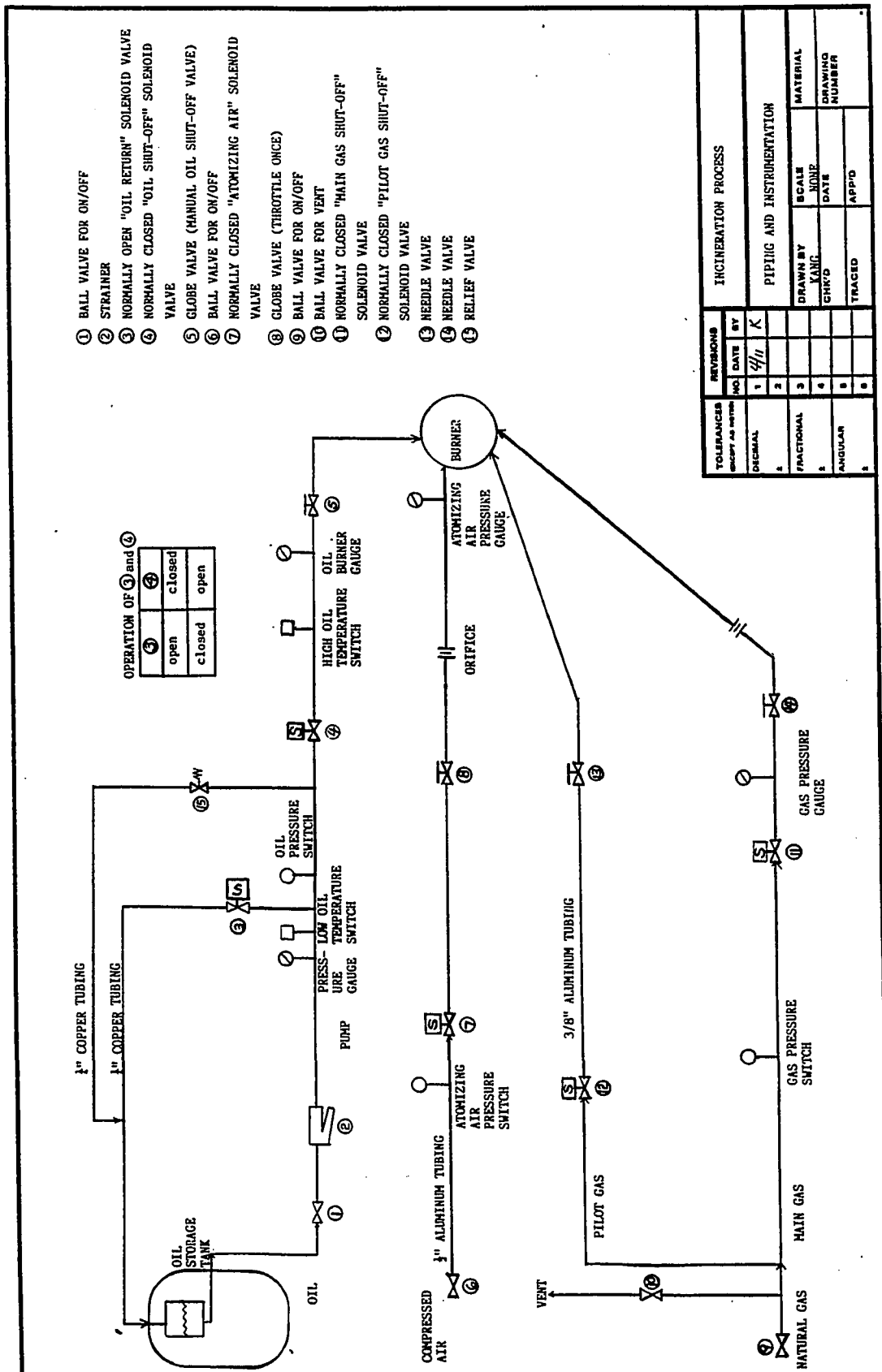
Q : Maximum Heat Release (20,000 Btu/Hr)

d : Density of Kerosene (7 Lb/Gal)

NHV : Net Heating Value of Kerosene (20,000 Btu/Lb)

$$\begin{aligned} V &= \frac{(20,000 \text{ Btu/Hr})}{(7 \text{ Lb/Gal}) \times (20,000 \text{ Btu/Lb})} \\ &= 0.14285 \text{ Gal/Hr} \\ &= 0.002381 \text{ Gal/Min} \\ &= 9.012 \text{ Cm}^3/\text{Min} \end{aligned}$$

FIGURE 3. PIPING AND INSTRUMENTATION



| TOLERANCES      |    | REVISIONS |      | INCINERATION PROCESS |  |
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| PIPING AND INSTRUMENTATION |       |          |  |
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The calculation shown is for kerosene. To convert to other fuels, the maximum heat release  $Q$  must be kept constant and  $V$  is calculated for the fuel's NHV.

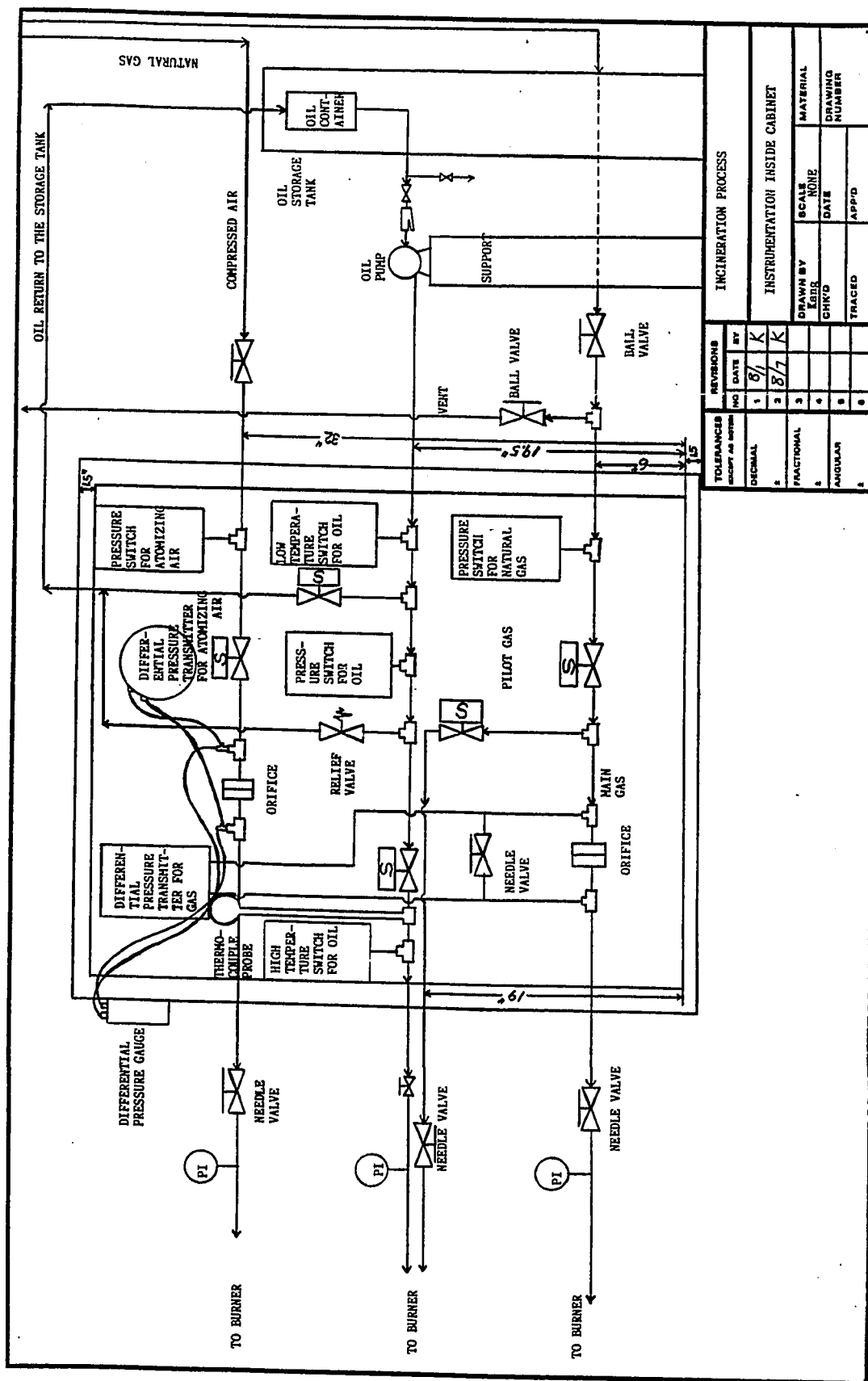
The required tubing size for the liquid waste will be 1/8 inch nominal diameter. A detailed calculation will be shown in the pump part of the next chapter. Tubing sizes required for the atomizing air and natural gas lines will be 1/2 inch nominal diameter. Calculation of the pressure drop across the orifice union will be shown in the next chapter. The selection of the tubing material depends on the corrosive nature of the fluid and on the flow pressure. Copper tubing for the liquid waste, annealed aluminum tubing for air, and stainless steel tubing for the natural gas line will be used.

To control the amount of flow, or to stop the flow completely, several different types of valves have been selected. Ball valves will be used for on-off control of all lines. The liquid waste and compressed air flows will be adjusted by globe valves, while the smaller natural gas flow will be adjusted by a needle valve for greater accuracy. Pressure gages for all lines and a temperature gage for the liquid waste are installed upstream of the burner unit.

Safety shutoff valves for the liquid waste and natural gas lines are the most important components of the safety shutdown system. Oil safety shutoff valves will

automatically shut off liquid waste to the burner unit within 5 seconds after interruption of the holding medium by any one of the interlocking safety devices. As an interlocking safety device, at least one low pressure switch will be provided for each safety shutoff valve. Whenever the normal pressure in each line exceeds the design limits (either the low limit or the high limit), one of the pressure switches will activate the burner unit's safety shutoff valve. Low and high temperature switches are installed to protect against exceeding a safe limit for the liquid waste temperature. All instruments are installed in a metal cabinet, 48"Lx36"Wx16"D, for protection from the environment. Figures 4 and 5 show the arrangement of the instruments in the cabinet and the location of the system.

FIGURE 4. ARRANGEMENT OF INSTRUMENTS IN THE CABINET



The diagram illustrates the incineration process, showing the flow of waste oil, pilot gas, and main gas through a combustion chamber and stack. Key components include:

- Waste Oil and Gas Flow:** Waste oil and pilot gas flow from the left into the combustion chamber. Main gas flows from the combustion chamber to the right, then down through a stack.
- Instrumentation:** An instrumentation cabinet is connected to the main gas line. A data acquisition box is also connected to the main gas line.
- Air Supply:** Compressed air is supplied from the left to the combustion chamber. Natural gas is supplied from the right to the combustion chamber.
- Dimensions:** The combustion chamber is 6' high and 23.5' wide. The stack is 17' high. The main gas line is 3' high. The waste oil and pilot gas lines are 2' high.
- Labels:** Labels include "TOP OF THE WATER TANK", "NATURAL GAS", "ENGINEERING BUILDING", "STACK", "COMBUSTION CHAMBER", "BURNER", "DATA ACQUISITION BOX", "SUPPORT", "MAIN GAS", "PILOT GAS", "WASTE OIL", "INSTRUMENTATION CABINET", "PUMP", "OIL STORAGE TANK", "NATURAL GAS", "COMPRESSION AIR", and "FROM THE LABORATORY".

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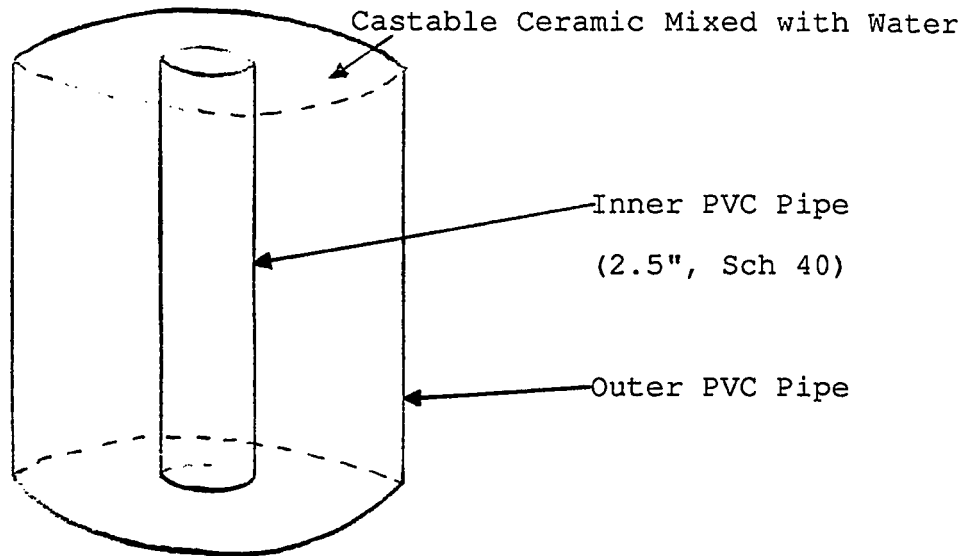
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## CHAPTER 5. DESCRIPTION OF EQUIPMENT

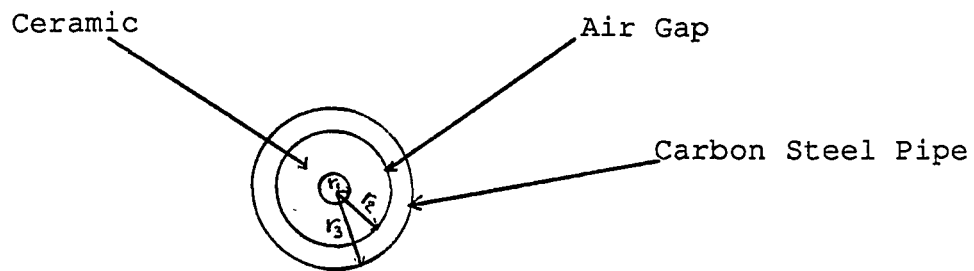
### 5.1 Combustion Chamber and Stack

A 6-foot long and 2.875-inch inside-diameter refractory pipe was molded from castable ceramic. Powdered castable ceramic, PLICAST KL MIX ( $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$ :53.3%,  $\text{SiO}_2$ :39.2%), mixed with an appropriate amount of water was poured into a mold made from two PVC pipes (Figure 6). After curing of the ceramic, the outer PVC pipe was taken off, and the inner pipe will be removed by burning. This ceramic liner will be inserted into a 6-foot long carbon steel pipe and flanged to the stack. This procedure allows for easy replacement of the liner if it becomes cracked or eroded, without necessitating replacement of the outer steel pipe.

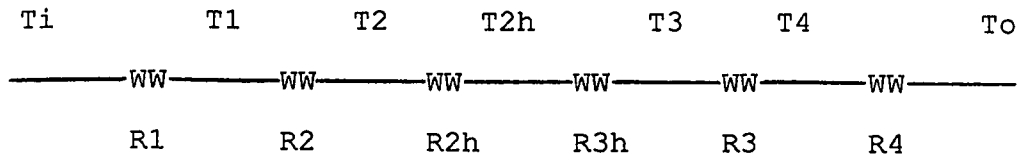
Figure 6. Castable Ceramic Molding



The required thickness of castable ceramic is estimated to maintain a low temperature on the outer surface of incinerator for safety reasons. The thickness of castable ceramic is estimated as follows [15]:







Ti: Average temperature inside the chamber (assumed, 2200°F)

To: Ambient temperature outside the chamber (assumed, 80°F)

T1: Inner surface temperature of the ceramic liner

T2: Outer surface temperature of the ceramic liner

T2h: Average temperature of the air in the gap

T3: Inner surface temperature of the carbon steel pipe

T4: Outer surface temperature of the carbon steel pipe

r1: Radius of the inside ceramic liner (1.4375")

r2: Radius of the outside ceramic liner

r3: Radius of the inside carbon steel pipe (r2 = r3)

r4: Radius of the outside carbon steel pipe

R1 - R4: Thermal resistance for conduction and convection

R1 =  $1 / 2\pi r_1 L x h_i$        $h_i$ : Heat transfer coefficient  
inside the chamber

R2 =  $\ln(r_2/r_1) / 2\pi k_c L$        $k_c$ : Thermal conductivity of  
castable ceramic  
(0.6667 Btu/hr ft F at  
2000°F)

R2h =  $1 / 2\pi r_2 L x h_c$        $h_c$ : Heat transfer coefficient  
between the outer surface  
of the ceramic liner and  
air gap (assumed, 1.0)

$$R_{3h} = 1 / 2\pi r_3 L h_p \quad h_p: \text{Heat transfer coefficient between air gap and the inner surface of the steel pipe (assumed, 1.0)}$$

$$R_3 = \ln(r_4/r_3) / 2\pi k_p L \quad k_p: \text{Thermal conductivity of the steel pipe (27 Btu/hr ft F)}$$

$$R_4 = 1 / 2\pi r_4 L h_o \quad h_o: \text{Heat transfer coefficient between the outer surface of the steel pipe and ambient air (assumed, 1.5)}$$

$$Q = \frac{T_i - T_o}{\text{SUM\_R}} = \frac{T_i - T_1}{R_1} = \frac{T_1 - T_2}{R_2} = \frac{T_2 - T_{2h}}{R_{2h}} = \frac{T_{2h} - T_3}{R_{3h}}$$

$$= \frac{T_3 - T_4}{R_3} = \frac{T_4 - T_o}{R_4}$$

The outer surface temperature of the carbon steel pipe can be estimated by the heat transfer rate equation [15]. The internal heat transfer coefficient,  $h_i$ , is estimated as follows:

\_\_\_\_\_ Combustion Chamber  
 —→ Flue Gas (Average Temp: 2200 F) —→

\* Maximum volumetric flow rate of flue gas (V)

$$V = \frac{\text{Volume of the combustion chamber}}{\text{Residence time}}$$

$$= \frac{(\pi/4) \times (2.875/12)^2 \times 6 \text{ ft}^3}{1 \text{ sec}}$$

$$= 0.2705 \text{ ft}^3/\text{sec}$$

\* Average density of flue gas at the average temperature (d)

$$\begin{aligned} d &= \text{Density of air at 2200 F} \\ &= 0.015 \text{ lb/ft}^3 \end{aligned}$$

\* Average viscosity of flue gas at average temperature (u)

$$\begin{aligned} u &= \text{Viscosity of air at 2200 F} \\ &= 0.121 \text{ lb/ft hr} \end{aligned}$$

\* Maximum mass flow rate of flue gas (m)

$$\begin{aligned} m &= dxV \\ &= (0.2705 \text{ ft}^3/\text{sec}) \times (0.015 \text{ lb}/\text{ft}^3) \times (3600 \text{ sec}/\text{hr}) \\ &= 14.607 \text{ lb}/\text{hr} \end{aligned}$$

\* Reynolds number (Nre)

$$\begin{aligned} Nre &= (4xm) / (\pi x D x u) \\ &= (4) \times (14.607 \text{ lb}/\text{hr}) / (\pi) \times (2.875/12) \times (0.121 \text{ lb}/\text{ft hr}) \\ &= 642 \quad : \quad \text{Laminar flow} \end{aligned}$$

\* Nusselt number (Nnu)

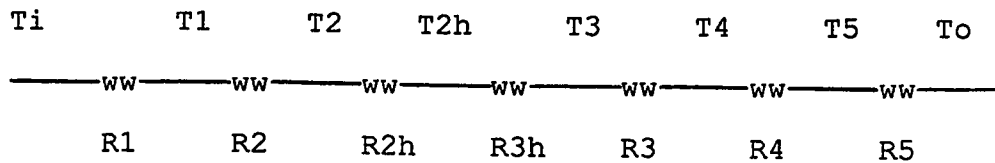
$$\begin{aligned} Nnu &= h_i x D / k = 4.36 \quad \text{for Laminar flow} \\ h_i &= 4.36 x k / D \\ &= (4.36) \times (0.10 \text{ Btu}/\text{hr ft F}) / (2.875 \text{ ft}/12) \\ &= 1.8 \text{ Btu}/\text{hr ft}^2 \text{ F} \end{aligned}$$

The above numerical values are substituted in the heat transfer equation. The results are in Table 2.

Table 2. Surface Temperature (T4) of the Incinerator  
as a Function of Thickness of Castable Ceramic

|                                | Pipe Size (Sch 40) |           |           |
|--------------------------------|--------------------|-----------|-----------|
|                                | 5.000"             | 6.000"    | 8.000"    |
| Ti (F)                         | 2200.0000          | 2200.0000 | 2200.0000 |
| To (F)                         | 80.0000            | 80.0000   | 80.0000   |
| hi (Btu/hr*ft <sup>2</sup> *F) | 1.8000             | 1.8000    | 1.8000    |
| kc (Btu/hr*ft*F)               | 0.6667             | 0.6667    | 0.6667    |
| hc (Btu/hr*ft <sup>2</sup> *F) | 1.0000             | 1.0000    | 1.0000    |
| hp (Btu/hr*ft <sup>2</sup> *F) | 1.0000             | 1.0000    | 1.0000    |
| kp (Btu/hr*ft*F)               | 27.0000            | 27.0000   | 27.0000   |
| ho (Btu/hr*ft <sup>2</sup> *F) | 1.5000             | 1.5000    | 1.5000    |
| r1 (ft)                        | 0.1198             | 0.1198    | 0.1198    |
| r2 (ft)                        | 0.2090             | 0.2527    | 0.3308    |
| r3 (ft)                        | 0.2090             | 0.2527    | 0.3308    |
| r4 (ft)                        | 0.2318             | 0.2644    | 0.3594    |
| R1 (1/2*pi*r1*L*hi)            | 0.1230             | 0.1230    | 0.1230    |
| R2 (ln(r2/r1)/2*pi*k)          | 0.0221             | 0.0297    | 0.0404    |
| R2h (1/2*pi*r2*L*hc)           | 0.1269             | 0.1050    | 0.0802    |
| R3h (1/2*pi*r3*L*hp)           | 0.1269             | 0.1050    | 0.0802    |
| R3 (ln(r4/r3)/2*pi*k)          | 0.0001             | 0.0000    | 0.0001    |
| R4 (1/2*pi*r4*L*ho)            | 0.0763             | 0.0669    | 0.0492    |
| sR (Sum of R)                  | 0.4754             | 0.4296    | 0.3731    |
| Q ((Ti - To)/sR)               | 4459.5972          | 4935.1386 | 5682.4286 |
| T1 (Ti - Q*R1)                 | 1651.4260          | 1592.9298 | 1501.0058 |
| T2 (T1 - Q*R2)                 | 1552.6783          | 1446.3759 | 1271.3732 |
| T2h (T2 - Q*R2h)               | 986.6760           | 928.3363  | 815.7169  |
| T3 (T2h - Q*R3h)               | 420.6736           | 410.2966  | 360.0606  |
| T4 (T3 - Q*R3)                 | 420.2200           | 410.0772  | 359.5977  |

The surface temperature of the combustion chamber decreases as the diameter of the outer pipe increases. Six-inch Sch 40 PVC pipe is chosen as a reasonable size of the outer pipe for molding castable ceramic, although the surface temperature of the incinerator will be 410 F. This high temperature on the surface of the incinerator could pose a safety hazard and also contributes to heat loss. Adding a lay of external insulation eliminates these problems. The necessary thickness of the insulation is calculated by adding one more term to the previous calculation of the surface temperature of the incinerator.



The temperature on the surface of kaowool should be less than 130 F.

$$Q = \frac{T_i - T_o}{R_1 + R_2 + R_{2h} + R_{3h} + R_3 + R_4 + R_5} = \frac{T_5 - T_o}{R_5}$$

$R_1$ ,  $R_2$ ,  $R_{2h}$ ,  $R_{3h}$ , and  $R_3$  are the same as for 6" pipe size.

$$R_4 = \ln(r_5/r_4) / 2\pi k_{kaowool} L$$

$$R_5 = 1 / 2\pi h_{r5} L x_{ho}$$

$$Q = \frac{2200 - 80}{0.1230 + 0.0297 + 0.1050 + 0.1050 + 4e-5 + R_4 + R_5} = \frac{130 - 80}{R_5}$$

$$\frac{2120}{0.36274 + R_4 + R_5} = \frac{50}{R_5}$$

$$R_5 = 0.00856 + 0.02358x(R_4 + R_5)$$

$$R_5 - 0.02415xR_4 = 0.00877$$

$$\frac{1}{2\pi \pi r_5 L x h_o} - \frac{(0.02415) \times \ln(r_5/r_4)}{2\pi \pi k k a o x L} = 0.00877$$

$$(1 / r_5) - 1.2078 \times \ln(r_5/0.2644) = 0.4960$$

By trial and error,  $r_5 = 0.64$  ft. Thus, the thickness of kaowool is 0.3756 ft (4.5 inch). Table 3 shows the surface temperature of kaowool as a function of the thickness of kaowool insulation layer. The final design for the combustion chamber is shown in Figure 7, 8, and 9.

TABLE 3. SURFACE TEMPERATURE OF KAOWOOL AS A FUNCTION OF THE THICKNESS OF KAOWOOL INSULATION LAYER

| THICKNESS OF<br>OF KAOWOOL(ft) | 0.1    | 0.2    | 0.3    | 0.3756 | 0.4    |
|--------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| $r_5$ (ft)                     | 0.3644 | 0.4644 | 0.5644 | 0.64   | 0.6644 |
| $T_5$ (F)                      | 228.05 | 169.81 | 142.40 | 129.98 | 126.86 |

FIGURE 7. COMBUSTION CHAMBER

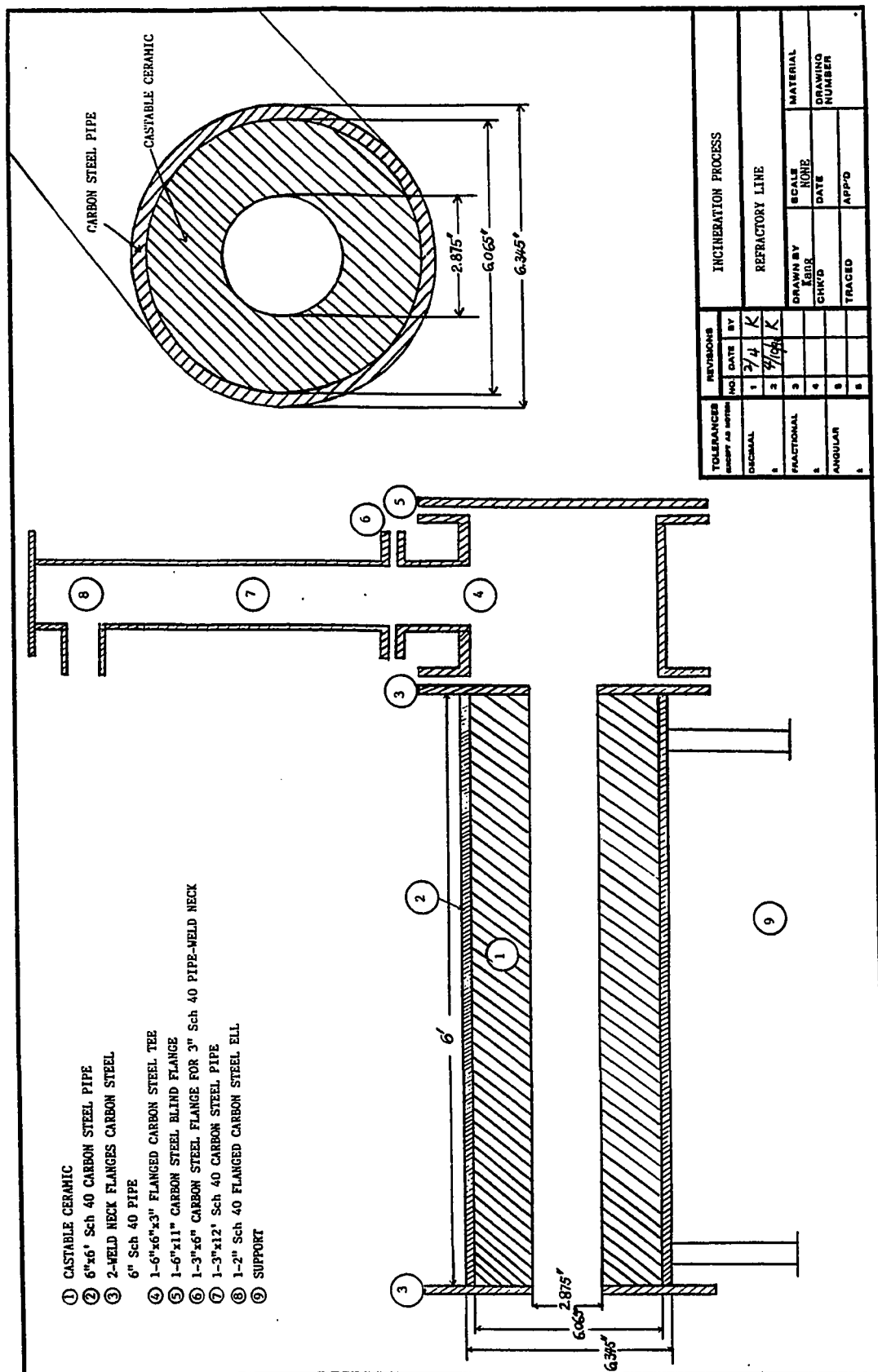
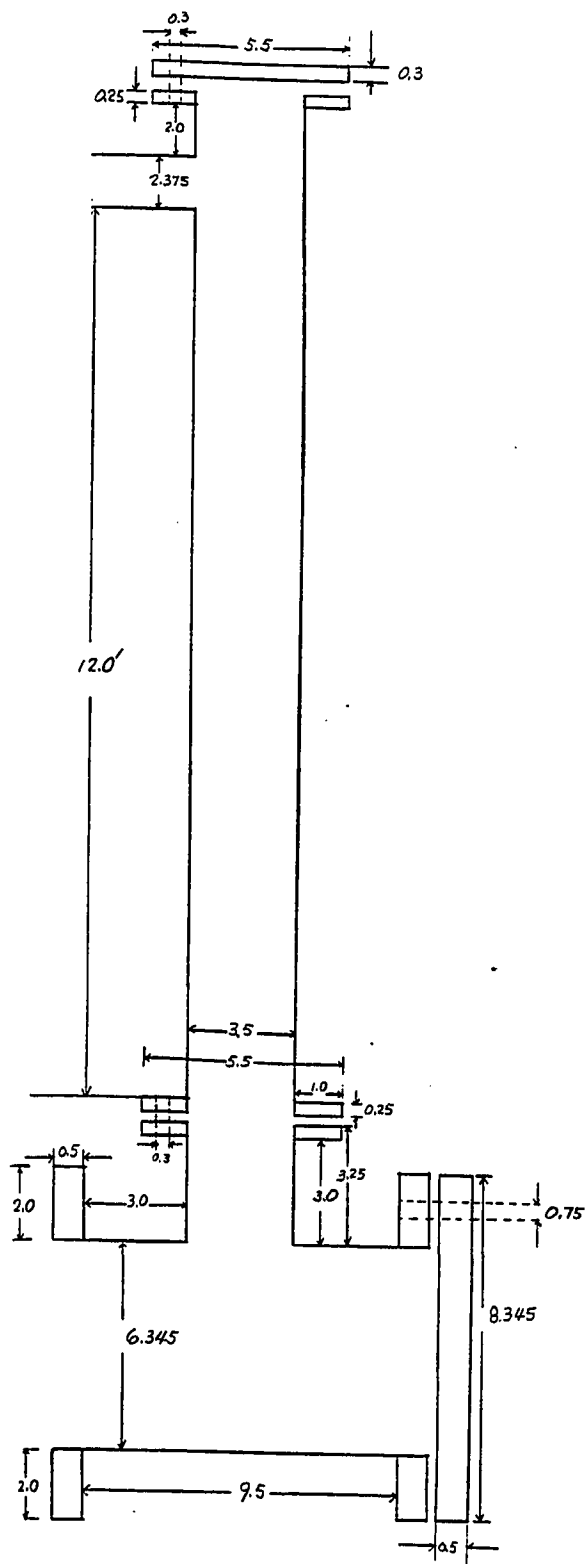


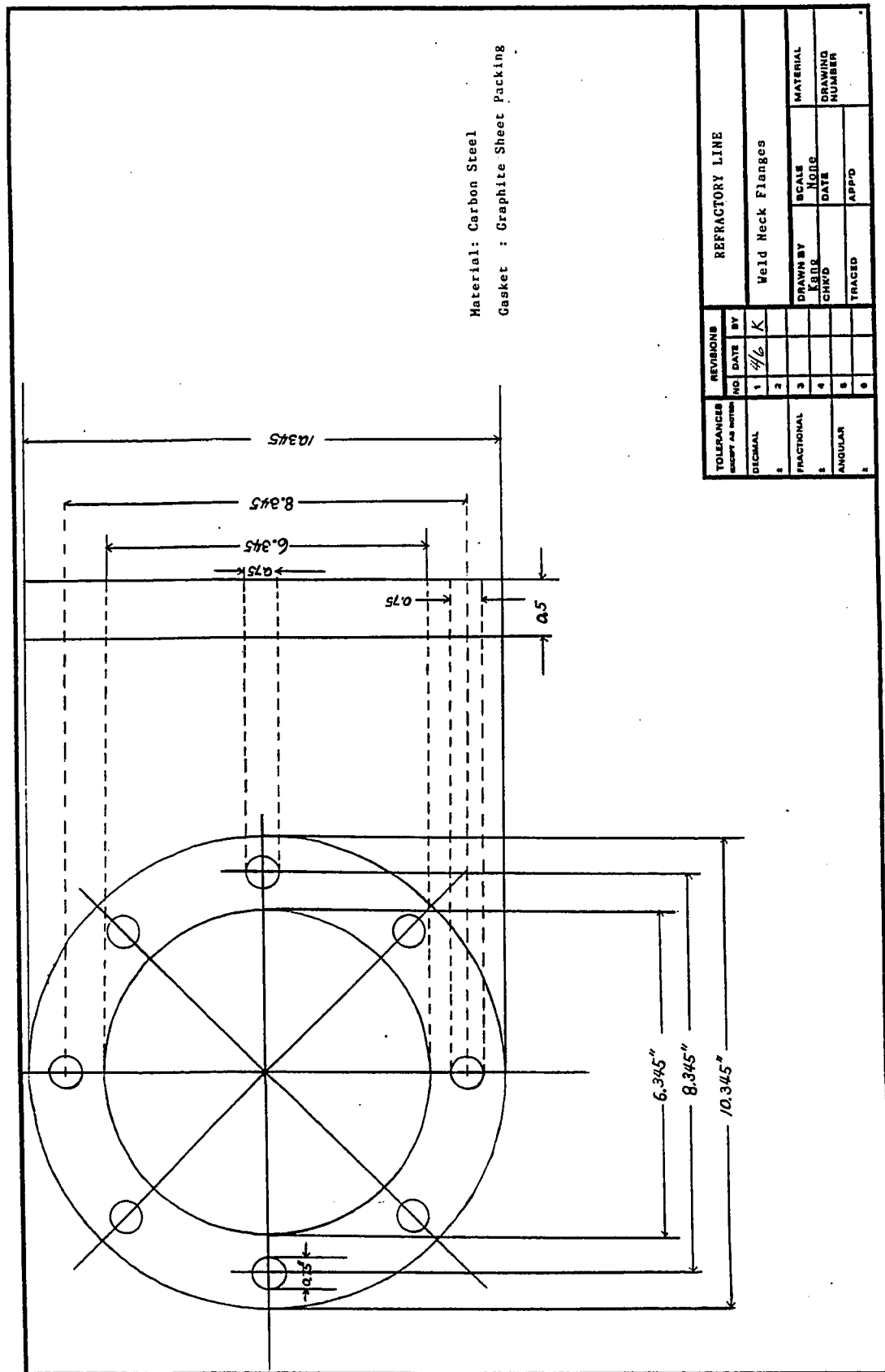


FIGURE 8. STACK



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| 76                            |      | 76        |      | 76                   |      |
| 77                            |      | 77        |      | 77                   |      |
| 78                            |      | 78        |      | 78                   |      |
| 79                            |      | 79        |      | 79                   |      |
| 80                            |      | 80        |      | 80                   |      |
| 81                            |      | 81        |      | 81                   |      |
| 82                            |      | 82        |      | 82                   |      |
| 83                            |      | 83        |      | 83                   |      |
| 84                            |      | 84        |      | 84                   |      |
| 85                            |      | 85        |      | 85                   |      |
| 86                            |      | 86        |      | 86                   |      |
| 87                            |      | 87        |      | 87                   |      |
| 88                            |      | 88        |      | 88                   |      |
| 89                            |      | 89        |      | 89                   |      |
| 90                            |      | 90        |      | 90                   |      |
| 91                            |      | 91        |      | 91                   |      |
| 92                            |      | 92        |      | 92                   |      |
| 93                            |      | 93        |      | 93                   |      |
| 94                            |      | 94        |      | 94                   |      |
| 95                            |      | 95        |      | 95                   |      |
| 96                            |      | 96        |      | 96                   |      |
| 97                            |      | 97        |      | 97                   |      |
| 98                            |      | 98        |      | 98                   |      |
| 99                            |      | 99        |      | 99                   |      |
| 100                           |      | 100       |      | 100                  |      |

FIGURE 9. WELD NECK FLANGES



## 5.2 Waste Oil Pump

In order to select the pump system, the flow rate of waste oil is estimated by mass balance. The equation used to calculate the feed rate of waste oil, based on a 1 second residence time, is

$$\text{Feed rate (gal oil/sec)} = \frac{\text{Flue gas rate (ft}^3\text{/sec)}}{\text{Volume of flue gas (ft}^3\text{ gas/lb oil)} \times \text{Density of oil (lb oil/gal oil)}}$$

The maximum volumetric flue gas rate will be equal to the volume of the combustion chamber per second:

$$\text{pivr}^2 \times L = \text{piv}(0.1198)^2 \times 6 = 0.2705 \text{ ft}^3, \text{ or } 0.2705 \text{ ft}^3/\text{sec}$$

Again, calculations are performed for kerosene, since this fuel will be used for testing the incinerator. The density of kerosene is 7 lb/gal at 60 degrees F. The volume of flue gas per pound of kerosene fed into the incinerator is calculated using a simple mass balance based on stoichiometric air supply (combustion with no excess air).

\* Gravimetric weight percentage of kerosene

|          |               |
|----------|---------------|
| C : 86.5 | O : 0.1       |
| H : 13.2 | S : 0.1       |
| N : 0.1  | Ash : Neglect |

\* Convert wt% of each component to lbmol selecting 100 lb of kerosene as a basis

$$C : 86.5/12 = 7.208 \text{ lbmol}$$

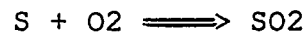
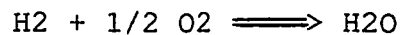
$$H_2 : 13.2/2 = 6.6 \quad "$$

$$N_2 : 0.1/28 = 0.00357 \quad "$$

$$O_2 : 0.1/32 = 0.003125 \quad "$$

$$S : 0.1/32 = 0.003125 \quad "$$

\* Primary combustion reaction for each component in fuel oil



\* Amount of oxygen required for each component

| Component      | lbmol in kerosene | lbmol of oxygen |
|----------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| C              | 7.208             | 7.208           |
| H <sub>2</sub> | 6.6               | 3.3             |
| S              | 0.003125          | 0.003125        |
| O <sub>2</sub> | 0.003125          | -0.003125       |
| Total :        |                   | 10.508          |

Oxygen present in kerosene reduces the air requirement. Thus, the amount of oxygen in kerosene has been subtracted from the amount of oxygen required. Total required oxygen, based on no excess oxygen, will be 10.508 lbmol O<sub>2</sub>/100 lb kerosene.

\* Amount of nitrogen required for each component

$$0.79 \text{ lbmol N}_2$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Amount of N}_2 &= \text{Amount of O}_2 \times \frac{\quad}{0.21 \text{ lbmol O}_2} \\ &= 39.53 \text{ lbmol} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{N}_2 \text{ in kerosene} = 0.00357$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Total required N}_2 &= 39.53 - 0.00357 \\ &= 39.526 \text{ lbmol N}_2/100 \text{ lb kerosene} \end{aligned}$$

\* Total amount of air required for burning kerosene will be sum of the amount of O<sub>2</sub> and N<sub>2</sub>, 50.034 lbmol air/100 lb kerosene.

\* Calculated composition of flue gas with stoichiometric air:

$$\text{CO}_2 : 7.208 \text{ lbmol}/100 \text{ lb kerosene}$$

$$\text{O}_2 : 0.0 \text{ (No excess air)}$$

$$\text{N}_2 : 39.526 \quad "$$

$$\text{S} : 0.003125 \quad "$$

$$\text{H}_2\text{O} : 3.3 \quad "$$

$$\text{Total} : 50.034 \text{ lbmol flue gas}/100 \text{ lb kerosene}$$

$$\text{or } 0.5 \text{ lbmol flue gas}/\text{lb kerosene}$$

\* Total volume of flue gas at operating temperature (2200 F) and 1 atm by ideal gas law ( $V = nRT / P$ )

$$\begin{aligned}
 V &= (0.5 \text{ lbmol flue gas/lb kerosene}) \times (0.7302 \text{ atm ft}^3 / \\
 &\quad \text{lbmol R}) (2660 \text{ R}) / 1 \text{ atm} \\
 &= 971.887 \text{ ft}^3 \text{ flue gas/lb kerosene}
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus, volumetric feed rate of kerosene will be

$$0.2705 \text{ ft}^3 \text{ flue gas/sec}$$


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$$(971.887 \text{ ft}^3 \text{ flue gas/lb kerosene}) \times (7 \text{ lb kerosene/gal kerosene})$$

$$= 3.9761 \text{ E-5 gal kerosene / sec}$$

$$= 9 \text{ cm}^3 \text{ kerosene / min}$$

Table 4 shows volumetric feed rate of kerosene for various amount of excess air.

Table 4. Volumetric Feed Rate of Kerosene for various Percentage of Excess Air

FIXED VALUES;

|                                  |                    |
|----------------------------------|--------------------|
| LENGTH OF CHAMBER                | : 6 FT             |
| OPERATING TEMPERATURE            | : 2200 F           |
| DENSITY OF OIL                   | : 7 LB/GAL         |
| NET HEATING VALUE                | : 20000 BTU/LB OIL |
| MAXIMUM FLOW RATE<br>OF FLUE GAS | : 0.2705 FT3/SEC   |

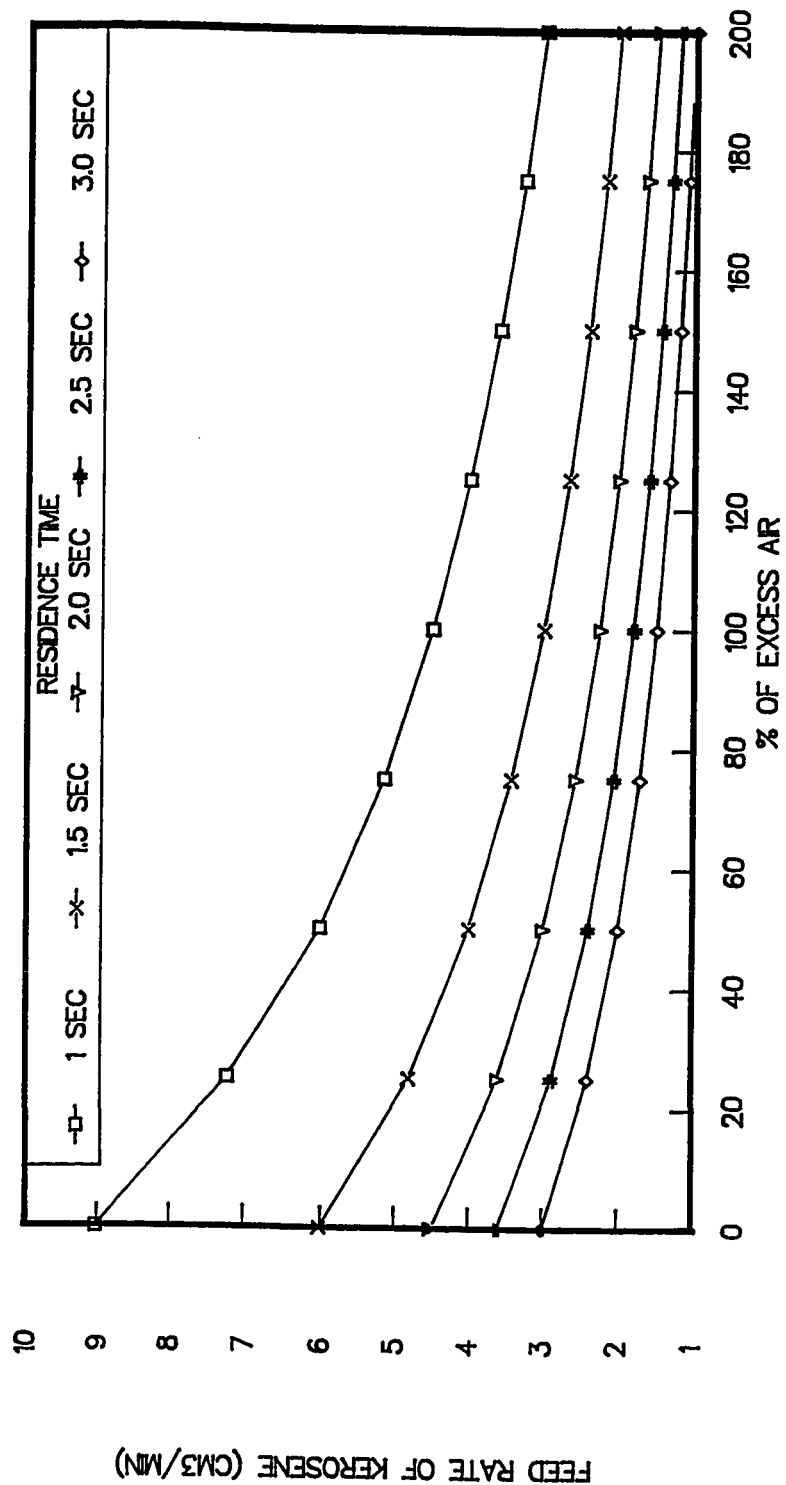
|           | % O2    | OXYGEN<br>LBMOL | NITROGEN<br>LBMOL | FLUE GAS<br>MOL/100<br>LB OIL | VOL OF FLUE<br>GAS FT3<br>/LB OIL |
|-----------|---------|-----------------|-------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 0%EX O2   | 0.00000 | 10.50800        | 39.53010          | 50.03810                      | 971.90603                         |
| 25%EX O2  | 0.25000 | 13.13500        | 49.41263          | 62.54763                      | 1214.88254                        |
| 50%EX O2  | 0.50000 | 15.76200        | 59.29515          | 75.05715                      | 1457.85904                        |
| 75%EX O2  | 0.75000 | 18.38900        | 69.17768          | 87.56668                      | 1700.83555                        |
| 100%EX O2 | 1.00000 | 21.01600        | 79.06020          | 100.07620                     | 1943.81206                        |
| 125%EX O2 | 1.25000 | 23.64300        | 88.94273          | 112.58573                     | 2186.78856                        |
| 150%EX O2 | 1.50000 | 26.27000        | 98.82525          | 125.09525                     | 2429.76507                        |
| 175%EX O2 | 1.75000 | 28.89700        | 108.70778         | 137.60478                     | 2672.74158                        |
| 200%EX O2 | 2.00000 | 31.52400        | 118.59030         | 150.11430                     | 2915.71809                        |

Volumetric Feed Rate of Oil (Cm3/min)  
for Various Excess Air and Residence Time

| %O2\RES_T | 1 SEC   | 1.5 SEC | 2.0 SEC | 2.5 SEC | 3.0 SEC |
|-----------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| 0%EX O2   | 9.02947 | 6.01964 | 4.51473 | 3.61179 | 3.00982 |
| 25%EX O2  | 7.22357 | 4.81572 | 3.61179 | 2.88943 | 2.40786 |
| 50%EX O2  | 6.01964 | 4.01310 | 3.00982 | 2.40786 | 2.00655 |
| 75%EX O2  | 5.15970 | 3.43980 | 2.57985 | 2.06388 | 1.71990 |
| 100%EX O2 | 4.51473 | 3.00982 | 2.25737 | 1.80589 | 1.50491 |
| 125%EX O2 | 4.01310 | 2.67540 | 2.00655 | 1.60524 | 1.33770 |
| 150%EX O2 | 3.61179 | 2.40786 | 1.80589 | 1.44471 | 1.20393 |
| 175%EX O2 | 3.28344 | 2.18896 | 1.64172 | 1.31338 | 1.09448 |
| 200%EX O2 | 3.00982 | 2.00655 | 1.50491 | 1.20393 | 1.00327 |

FIGURE 10. FEED RATE OF KEROSENE (CM<sup>3</sup>/MIN)

FOR VARIOUS EXCESS AIR AND RESIDENCE TIME





### 5.3 Waste Oil Storage Tank

The available storage tank for oil has a volume of 4.5 ft<sup>3</sup>, which is too large for our purposes. This would pose an explosion hazard due to the vapor-filled empty space.

The tank has been modified as follows to safely store any kind of waste oil (Figure 11). A small stainless-steel container, 6 inch-inside diameter and 6.8 inch-height, is inserted inside the large tank. The total volume of the container is 3150 cm<sup>3</sup>. For the design flow rate, the system may thus be continuously operated for a maximum of 5.8 hours. The small container is held by three holders that are screwed on the wall of the large tank, and can be removed from the holder for cleaning or filling. A 1/2-inch pipe is welded on the bottom of the container, connected by a union, and passing through the large tank. This pipe is separated into two lines by a tee union: one line for the pump, and the other one for the drain. A length of 1/4-inch tubing is connected to the top lid which covers the container without welding. Waste oil will overflow if vapor pressure of the oil is high by being heated up. The large tank will be used for protection of explosion.

Figure 11. Modified Waste-Oil Storage Tank

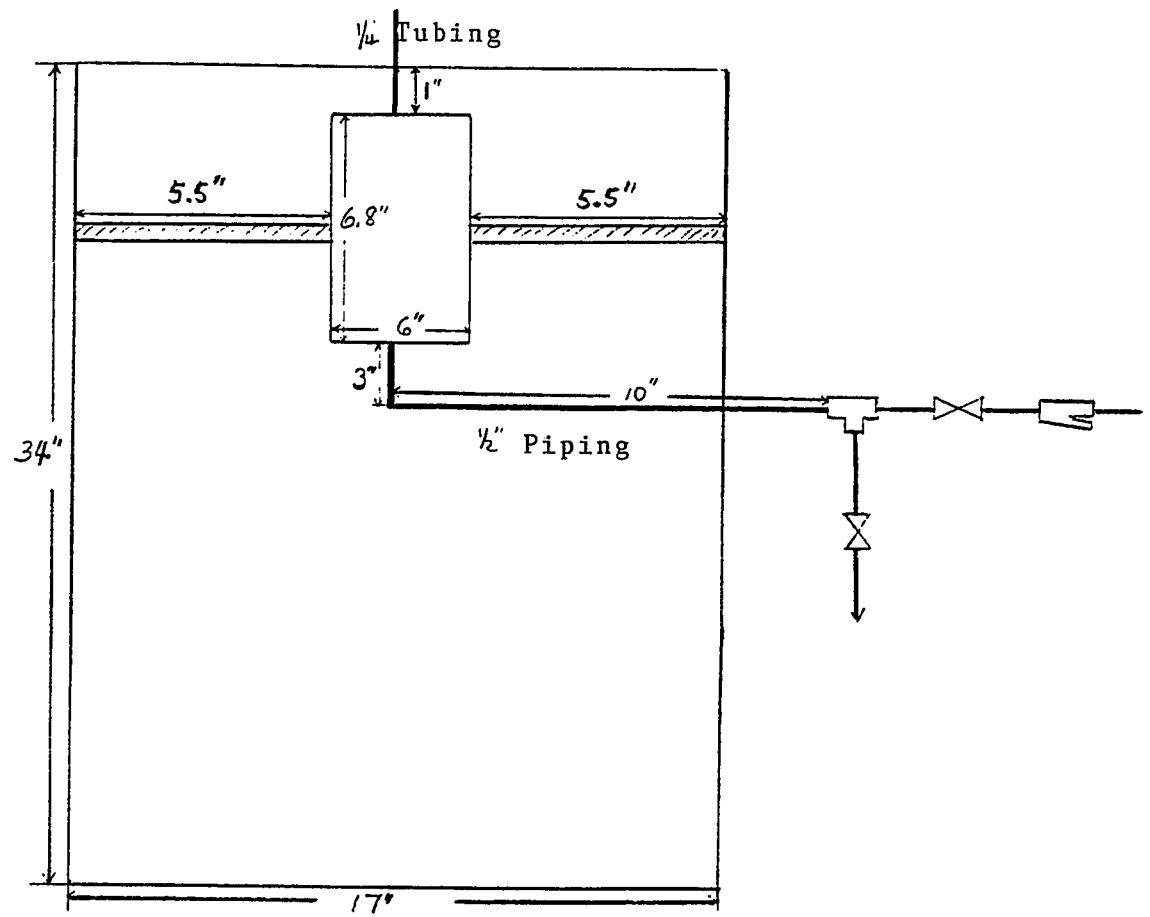


Figure 11. Modified Waste-Oil Storage Tank

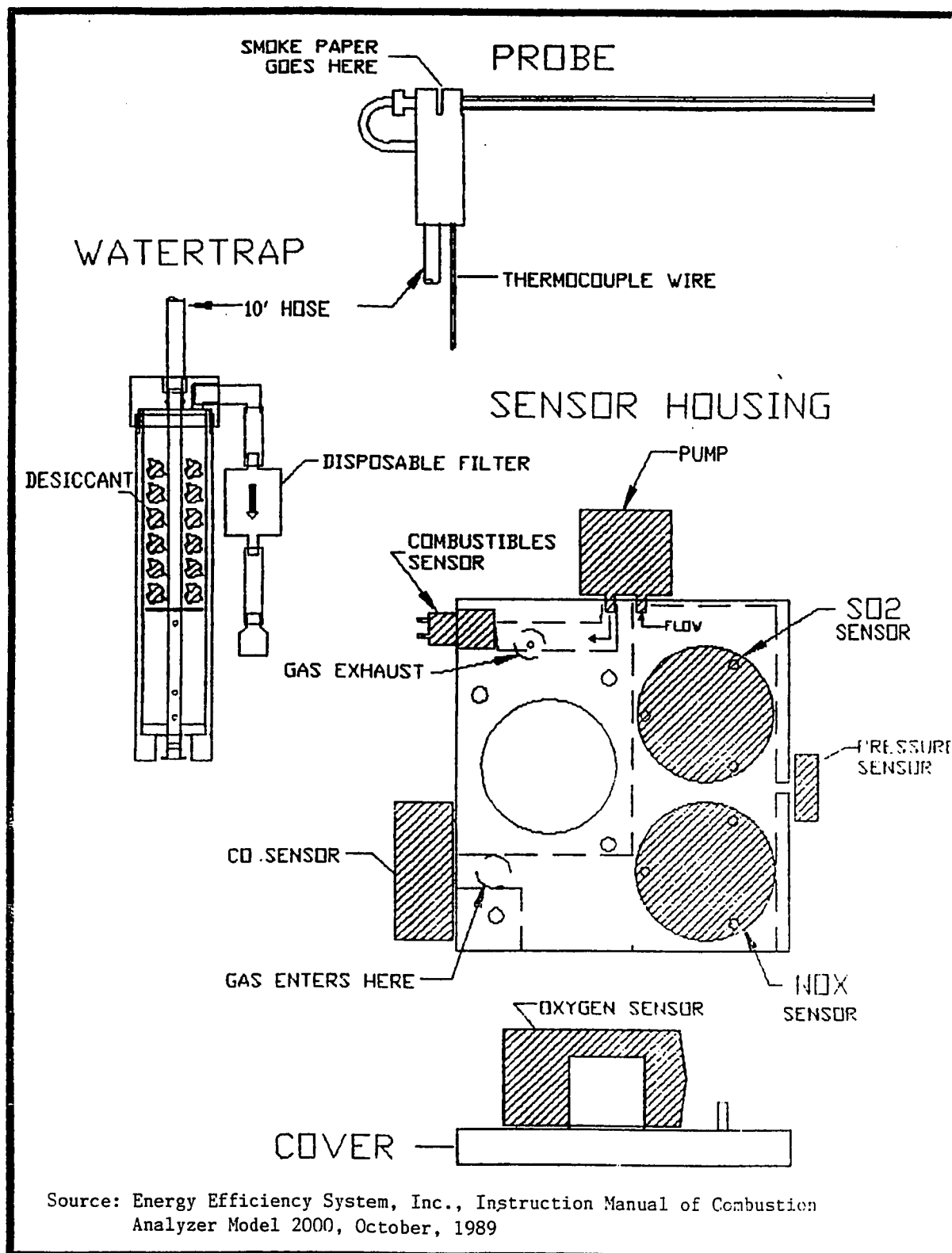
#### 5.4 Burner and Forced Air Fan

At the time of this writing, the design of the burner with the fan was not yet available from the donor COEN company.

#### 5.5 Emission Analyzer [16,17]

Flue gases to be monitored include oxides of nitrogen( $\text{NO}_x$ ), carbon monoxide( $\text{CO}$ ), sulfur dioxide( $\text{SO}_2$ ), and oxygen( $\text{O}_2$ ). Ideally, separate specialized sensors should be used for each to allow most accurate measurement of trace species. At the present time, one emission analyzer (Model 2000 manufactured by Energy Efficiency System, Inc.) is used; its advantages are low cost, compactness (18"x13"x6" Aluminum carrying case with lock), and ease of use. A disadvantage is that the gas sensors (electrochemical cells) should be replaced every one or two years, depending on use. This analyzer consists of a probe, a water trap with desiccant, sensors for measuring temperature, pressure, and gas concentrations, and an RS-232 serial port for communication with a computer. The analyzer measures two temperatures (stack and ambient), five different flue gas concentrations ( $\text{NO}_x$ ,  $\text{CO}$ ,  $\text{O}_2$ ,  $\text{SO}_2$ , and combustibles), draft,

Figure 12. Flow Description of Flue Gases and Sensors in the Emission Analyzer



Source: Energy Efficiency System, Inc., Instruction Manual of Combustion Analyzer Model 2000, October, 1989

and smoke.

During operation of the incinerator, the 13-inch long inconel probe, which can withstand temperatures up to 2000 F, is inserted into a 3/8-inch drilled hole in the wall of the stack (Figure 12). The probe handle is designed to hold the smoke paper for the smoke test. Smoke density is measured by comparing the discoloration of the smoke paper with a standard chart provided by the manufacturer. The stack gas temperature is monitored by an inconel sheathed type K thermocouple wire inside the tube. A small pump located inside the analyzer draws a sample of the emissions through a 10-ft long braided latex hose into the water trap, which consists of a clear plastic cylindrical assembly and a disposable filter. The bottom compartment of the assembly is used to collect the condensate accumulating in the hose, and the upper compartment may be empty or filled with a desiccant to remove any additional moisture present in the emissions in order to avoid any condensation on the sensor surfaces. The emissions that exit the water trap assembly pass through the disposable fiberglass filter to trap particles of soot and fly ash that may be traveling with the emissions. It is possible to operate the instrument continuously for a long time if the excess moisture and particulates are removed from the gas stream by some other means.

After exiting the filter, the emissions are drawn into a plastic cavity sensor housing, where all the sensors are mounted for convenience and easy access, to reduce the pressure fluctuations caused by the action of the pump. The emissions pass first through the CO sensor. CO gas diffuses through a tiny hole on the face of a sealed electrochemical cell, containing three platinum electrodes and an electrolyte, and reacts with O<sub>2</sub> present inside the cell to form CO<sub>2</sub>. The reaction produces an electric current proportional to the concentration of the gas. (It is possible to saturate the sensor by exposing it to concentrations in excess of 10000 ppm.) The emissions next pass through the O<sub>2</sub> sensor, a two electrode electrochemical cell. An electric current is produced as O<sub>2</sub> diffuses through a tiny hole and reacts with the lead cathode in the cell. The cell is exhausted when all the lead is consumed.

There are small openings for the pressure sensor and for the NO<sub>x</sub> and SO<sub>2</sub> sensors. The pressure sensor, a highly sensitive and piezoresistive sensor intended for pressures from +10" to -40" of water, is located on the right hand side of the sensor housing to monitor stack draft. During a draft measurement, the pump will stop to avoid additional erroneous pressure drops due to flow resistance. NO<sub>x</sub> (NO and a very small cross sensitivity to NO<sub>2</sub>) is monitored by an electrochemical cell similar to the CO sensor, with the

important exception that it needs a constant bias voltage. The SO<sub>2</sub> sensor is an electrochemical cell also similar to the CO sensors. The pump discharges the gases into the area where the combustibles sensor is located. Molecules of combustible gas are absorbed on the surface of the sensor, a semiconductor-type sensor, and change its electrical resistance.

The instrument can store up to ninety-nine different test results in its memory. The description of the instrument's storage functions are in the instruction manual [16]. The instrument's RS-232 port is used in this work to communicate with the computer and to record emissions analyses simultaneously with the flow and temperature measurements. An RS-232 port and communication program (Personal Computer Software-ENERCOMP 2000) was installed on the computer, and the RS-232 port on the instrument was connected using a male 25-pin D type connector. Successful communication requires a common language between the two machines, such that speed of transmission and data format are the same. The values listed below are used.

Speed : 1200 Baud  
# Start Bits: 1  
# Data Bits : 8  
# Stop Bits : 1  
Parity : None

Tests (performed without incineration occurring) of the communication system, and data acquisition and storage are described in Chapter 8.



## CHAPTER 6. FLOW AND TEMPERATURE MEASUREMENT

### 6.1 Flow Measurement

#### 6.1.1 Waste Oil

An inexpensive flow meter that can measure a low flow rate of oil (9  $\text{cm}^3/\text{min}$  or less) and produce 4 - 20 mA output signals for the data acquisition system was difficult to find. A turbine flowmeter was considered, but the minimum flow rate measurable is 26  $\text{cm}^3/\text{min}$ . Thus, a positive displacement pump system (pump drive, pump head, and tubing) manufactured by Cole-Parmer is used both to pump the waste oil and to measure its flow rate. Since the pump drive does not produce any output signal, the data acquisition system can not be used to store information on flow rate. Instead, the speed controller on the pump drive will be calibrated for different waste oils before starting the incineration system, and this information must be manually entered in the log for each experiment.

### 6.1.2 Atomizing Air

The flow rate of atomizing air (compressed air) is determined by measuring the differential pressure across an orifice union in the atomizing air line using a differential pressure transmitter (DPT). The pressure drop can be estimated if the mass flow rate is known [13,18]. The required orifice diameter will be calculated from the capacity of the differential pressure transmitter and the proposed mass flow rate of atomizing air. Detailed calculations to estimate the orifice diameter are shown in Appendix A. The mass flow rate of atomizing air will be approximately 15 - 50% (by mass) of the liquid waste flow rate. Since the proposed liquid waste flow is 9 cm<sup>3</sup>/min, which is,  $(9 \text{ cm}^3/\text{min}) \times (1 \text{ gal}/3785 \text{ cm}^3) \times (7 \text{ lb}/1 \text{ gal}) = 0.0167 \text{ lb/min}$ , or 1 lb/hr, the proposed flow rate of atomizing air is 0.15 to 0.5 lb/hr (volumetric flow rate is 2 to 6.7 ft<sup>3</sup>/hr). A differential pressure transmitter, measuring from 0 - 200 inH<sub>2</sub>O, is installed to measure the differential pressure. Table 5 shows the computed pressure drops for various orifice diameters. For this application, the optimal orifice diameter is 0.035 inch. The orifice can be tested by measuring the actual compressed air flow rate using a wet test meter and voltage signals from the DPT. The actual orifice used will be calibrated in this way.

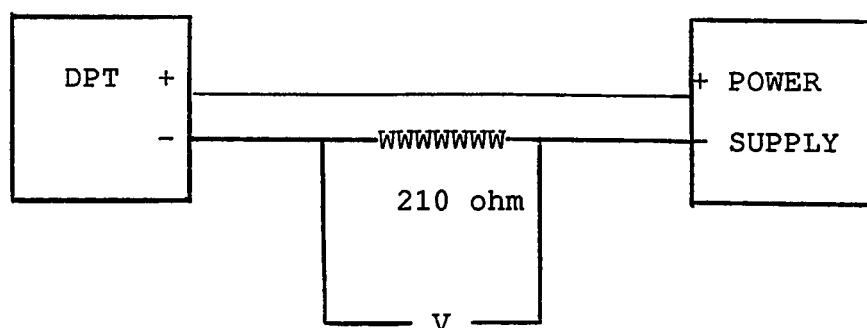
Table 5. Estimation of Orifice Diameter for the Atomizing Air Line

|            |           |                              |           |           |           |
|------------|-----------|------------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| M(LB/SEC)  | 1.390E-04 | Q(FT3/HR):6.654E+00 :MAXIMUM |           |           |           |
| Co         | 7.500E-01 | 1.996E+00 :30% OF MAX        |           |           |           |
| Y          | 1.000E+00 |                              |           |           |           |
| gc         | 3.217E+01 |                              |           |           |           |
| d(LB/FT3)  | 7.520E-02 |                              |           |           |           |
| Dp(IN)     | 6.220E-01 |                              |           |           |           |
| Do(IN)     | 1.000E-02 | 1.500E-02                    | 2.000E-02 | 2.500E-02 | 3.000E-02 |
| b(Do/Dp)   | 1.608E-02 | 2.412E-02                    | 3.215E-02 | 4.019E-02 | 4.823E-02 |
| So(FT2)    | 5.454E-07 | 1.227E-06                    | 2.182E-06 | 3.409E-06 | 4.909E-06 |
| delp(Psi)  | 1.657E+02 | 3.273E+01                    | 1.036E+01 | 4.242E+00 | 2.046E+00 |
| del(inH2O) | 4.590E+03 | 9.067E+02                    | 2.869E+02 | 1.175E+02 | 5.667E+01 |
| Do(IN)     | 3.500E-02 | 4.000E-02                    | 4.500E-02 | 5.000E-02 | 5.500E-02 |
| b(Do/Dp)   | 5.627E-02 | 6.431E-02                    | 7.235E-02 | 8.039E-02 | 8.842E-02 |
| So(FT2)    | 6.681E-06 | 8.727E-06                    | 1.104E-05 | 1.364E-05 | 1.650E-05 |
| delp(Psi)  | 1.104E+00 | 6.473E-01                    | 4.041E-01 | 2.651E-01 | 1.811E-01 |
| del(inH2O) | 3.059E+01 | 1.793E+01                    | 1.119E+01 | 7.344E+00 | 5.016E+00 |

Volumetric Flow rate of Atomizing Air Following Various Differential Pressure and Orifice Diameter Co=0.75

|            |           |           |           |           |           |
|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Do(IN)     | 3.000E-02 | 3.300E-02 | 3.500E-02 | 3.800E-02 | 4.000E-02 |
| So(FT2)    | 4.909E-06 | 5.940E-06 | 6.681E-06 | 7.876E-06 | 8.727E-06 |
| Dp(IN)     | 6.220E-01 | 6.220E-01 | 6.220E-01 | 6.220E-01 | 6.220E-01 |
| b(Do/Dp)   | 4.823E-02 | 5.305E-02 | 5.627E-02 | 6.109E-02 | 6.431E-02 |
| Co         | 7.500E-01 | 7.500E-01 | 7.500E-01 | 7.500E-01 | 7.500E-01 |
| delp vs Do | 3.000E-02 | 3.300E-02 | 3.500E-02 | 3.800E-02 | 4.000E-02 |
| 1.000E-01  | 1.471E+00 | 1.780E+00 | 2.002E+00 | 2.360E+00 | 2.616E+00 |
| 2.000E-01  | 2.081E+00 | 2.518E+00 | 2.832E+00 | 3.338E+00 | 3.699E+00 |
| 3.000E-01  | 2.548E+00 | 3.083E+00 | 3.468E+00 | 4.088E+00 | 4.530E+00 |
| 4.000E-01  | 2.942E+00 | 3.560E+00 | 4.005E+00 | 4.721E+00 | 5.231E+00 |
| 5.000E-01  | 3.290E+00 | 3.981E+00 | 4.478E+00 | 5.278E+00 | 5.848E+00 |
| 6.000E-01  | 3.604E+00 | 4.361E+00 | 4.905E+00 | 5.782E+00 | 6.407E+00 |
| 7.000E-01  | 3.892E+00 | 4.710E+00 | 5.298E+00 | 6.245E+00 | 6.920E+00 |
| 8.000E-01  | 4.161E+00 | 5.035E+00 | 5.664E+00 | 6.676E+00 | 7.398E+00 |
| 9.000E-01  | 4.414E+00 | 5.341E+00 | 6.007E+00 | 7.081E+00 | 7.847E+00 |
| 1.000E+00  | 4.652E+00 | 5.629E+00 | 6.332E+00 | 7.465E+00 | 8.271E+00 |

The transmitter requires an external power supply delivering 24 VDC with a minimum current capability of 40 milliamps to power the control loop containing the differential pressure transmitter. The 4 - 20 mA output signal generated by the differential pressure transmitter is sent to a transformer terminal strip to convert to a voltage signal (0 - 5 V) by installing a 210 ohm resistor, as shown in the following simple diagram of the connection of the power supply, transmitter, and receiver load resistance.



$V_{min} - V_{max}$  (0-5 V)

Note : Receiver may be in the transmitter with + or - leg of control loop

The output voltage signal from the DPT goes to the data acquisition system to be stored in the computer. Calibration information for flow measurements is given in Chapter 8.

### 6.1.3 Natural Gas

The method of flow rate measurement for natural gas is the same as that for atomizing air. However, the differential pressure transmitter (DPT) used to measure the differential pressure across the orifice union, and the optimal diameter of the orifice tap, are different from those used for atomizing air. The DPT used (Rosemount Co.) can measure differential pressure from 0 - 175 inH<sub>2</sub>O and produce 4 - 20mA current output signal. The optimum orifice diameter is determined by the same calculation method as was used for atomizing air. The proposed maximum flow rate of natural gas is calculated as follows:

Heat capacity of burner: 20,000 Btu/hr

Net heating value of gas (CH<sub>4</sub>): 21,520 Btu/LBCH<sub>4</sub>

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Maximum mass flow rate of gas} &= \text{Heat capacity of burner} / \\ &\quad \text{Net heating value of gas} \\ &= 20,000 / 21,520 \\ &= 0.9294 \text{ LbCH}_4/\text{hr}\end{aligned}$$

Maximum volumetric flow rate is calculated by ideal gas law.

$$V_{\text{CH}_4} = nRT / P$$

$$\begin{aligned}n &= (0.9294 \text{ LbCH}_4/\text{hr}) / (16 \text{ LbCH}_4/1\text{Lbmol}) * (453.5 \text{ gmol}/1\text{Lbmol}) \\ &= 26.34 \text{ gmolCH}_4/\text{hr}\end{aligned}$$

$$R = 82.05 \text{ Cm}^3 \text{ atm /gmol k}$$

$$T = 293 \text{ k}$$

$$P = 1 \text{ atm}$$

$$V_{\text{CH}_4} = 22.36 \text{ Ft}^3/\text{hr}$$

The maximum volumetric flow rate of natural gas is 22.36 Ft<sup>3</sup>/hr. The computed pressure drop for various orifice diameters is shown in Table 6. In this application, the optimal diameter of the orifice plate is 0.055 inch.

Table 6. Estimation of Orifice Diameter for the Natural Gas Line

|           |           |             |           |             |
|-----------|-----------|-------------|-----------|-------------|
| M(LB/SEC) | 2.582E-04 | Q (FT3/HR): | 2.075E+01 | :MAXIMUM    |
| Co        | 7.500E-01 |             | 1.037E+01 | :50% OF MAX |
| Y         | 1.000E+00 |             | 4.149E+00 | :20% OF MAX |
| gc        | 3.217E+01 |             |           |             |
| d(LB/FT3) | 4.480E-02 |             |           |             |
| Dp (IN)   | 8.240E-01 |             |           |             |

|             |           |           |           |           |           |
|-------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Do (IN)     | 1.000E-02 | 2.000E-02 | 3.000E-02 | 4.000E-02 | 5.000E-02 |
| b(Do/Dp)    | 1.214E-02 | 2.427E-02 | 3.641E-02 | 4.854E-02 | 6.068E-02 |
| So (FT2)    | 5.454E-07 | 2.182E-06 | 4.909E-06 | 8.727E-06 | 1.364E-05 |
| delP (PSI)  | 9.595E+02 | 5.997E+01 | 1.185E+01 | 3.748E+00 | 1.535E+00 |
| del(in H2O) | 2.658E+04 | 1.661E+03 | 3.281E+02 | 1.038E+02 | 4.253E+01 |

|             |           |           |           |           |           |
|-------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Do (IN)     | 5.000E-02 | 5.100E-02 | 5.200E-02 | 5.300E-02 | 5.400E-02 |
| b(Do/Dp)    | 6.068E-02 | 6.189E-02 | 6.311E-02 | 6.432E-02 | 6.553E-02 |
| So (FT2)    | 1.364E-05 | 1.419E-05 | 1.475E-05 | 1.532E-05 | 1.590E-05 |
| delP (PSI)  | 1.535E+00 | 1.418E+00 | 1.312E+00 | 1.216E+00 | 1.128E+00 |
| del(in H2O) | 4.253E+01 | 3.929E+01 | 3.635E+01 | 3.368E+01 | 3.126E+01 |

|             |           |           |           |           |           |
|-------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Do (IN)     | 5.500E-02 | 5.600E-02 | 5.700E-02 | 5.800E-02 | 5.900E-02 |
| b(Do/Dp)    | 6.675E-02 | 6.796E-02 | 6.917E-02 | 7.039E-02 | 7.160E-02 |
| So (FT2)    | 1.650E-05 | 1.710E-05 | 1.772E-05 | 1.835E-05 | 1.899E-05 |
| delP (PSI)  | 1.049E+00 | 9.757E-01 | 9.090E-01 | 8.479E-01 | 7.918E-01 |
| del(in H2O) | 2.905E+01 | 2.703E+01 | 2.518E+01 | 2.349E+01 | 2.193E+01 |

Volumetric Flow rate of Natural gas Following Various Differential Pressure and Orifice Diameter at Co=0.75

|          |           |           |           |           |           |
|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Do (IN)  | 5.000E-02 | 5.300E-02 | 5.500E-02 | 5.800E-02 | 6.000E-02 |
| So (FT2) | 1.364E-05 | 1.532E-05 | 1.650E-05 | 1.835E-05 | 1.963E-05 |
| Dp (IN)  | 8.240E-01 | 8.240E-01 | 8.240E-01 | 8.240E-01 | 8.240E-01 |
| b(Do/Dp) | 6.068E-02 | 6.432E-02 | 6.675E-02 | 7.039E-02 | 7.282E-02 |
| Co       | 7.500E-01 | 7.500E-01 | 7.500E-01 | 7.500E-01 | 7.500E-01 |

|            |           |           |           |           |           |
|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| delP vs Do | 5.000E-02 | 5.300E-02 | 5.500E-02 | 5.800E-02 | 6.000E-02 |
|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|

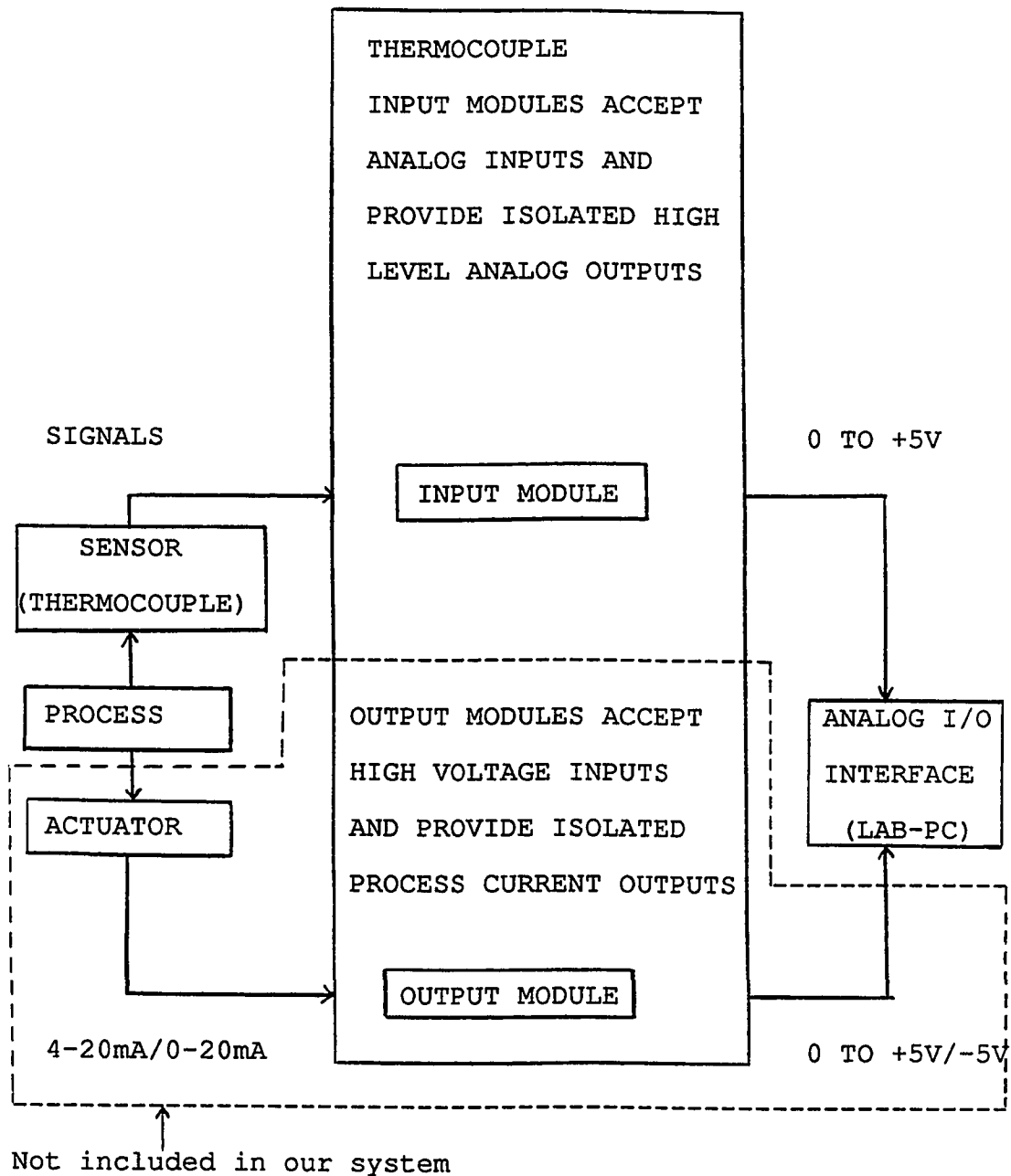
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|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 1.000E-01 | 5.295E+00 | 5.949E+00 | 6.407E+00 | 7.125E+00 | 7.624E+00 |
| 2.000E-01 | 7.488E+00 | 8.413E+00 | 9.060E+00 | 1.008E+01 | 1.078E+01 |
| 3.000E-01 | 9.171E+00 | 1.030E+01 | 1.110E+01 | 1.234E+01 | 1.321E+01 |
| 4.000E-01 | 1.059E+01 | 1.190E+01 | 1.281E+01 | 1.425E+01 | 1.525E+01 |
| 5.000E-01 | 1.184E+01 | 1.330E+01 | 1.433E+01 | 1.593E+01 | 1.705E+01 |
| 6.000E-01 | 1.297E+01 | 1.457E+01 | 1.569E+01 | 1.745E+01 | 1.868E+01 |
| 7.000E-01 | 1.401E+01 | 1.574E+01 | 1.695E+01 | 1.885E+01 | 2.017E+01 |
| 8.000E-01 | 1.498E+01 | 1.683E+01 | 1.812E+01 | 2.015E+01 | 2.157E+01 |
| 9.000E-01 | 1.588E+01 | 1.785E+01 | 1.922E+01 | 2.137E+01 | 2.287E+01 |
| 1.000E+00 | 1.674E+01 | 1.881E+01 | 2.026E+01 | 2.253E+01 | 2.411E+01 |

## 6.2 Temperature Measurement

Temperatures are measured by thermocouple probes: J-type for waste oil flowing through 1/8-inch tubing, R-type for flame temperature in the combustion chamber, and K-type for temperature profiles through the combustion chamber and for temperatures at sampling ports. 1/8-inch diameter and 12-inch long thermocouple probes are installed with round terminal blocks. Thermocouple wires are used to connect the round terminal blocks to the data acquisition system. The output voltage from the thermocouple can be converted into the actual temperature using a linearization formula. Unlike the flow measurement system, the thermocouple input module signal conditioners are used to amplify the low voltage signals, usually in the mV range, produced from the thermocouples. Figure 13 illustrates a block diagram for the temperature measurement using the data acquisition system.



FIGURE 13. Block Diagram of Temperature Measurement Using  
The Data Acquisition System

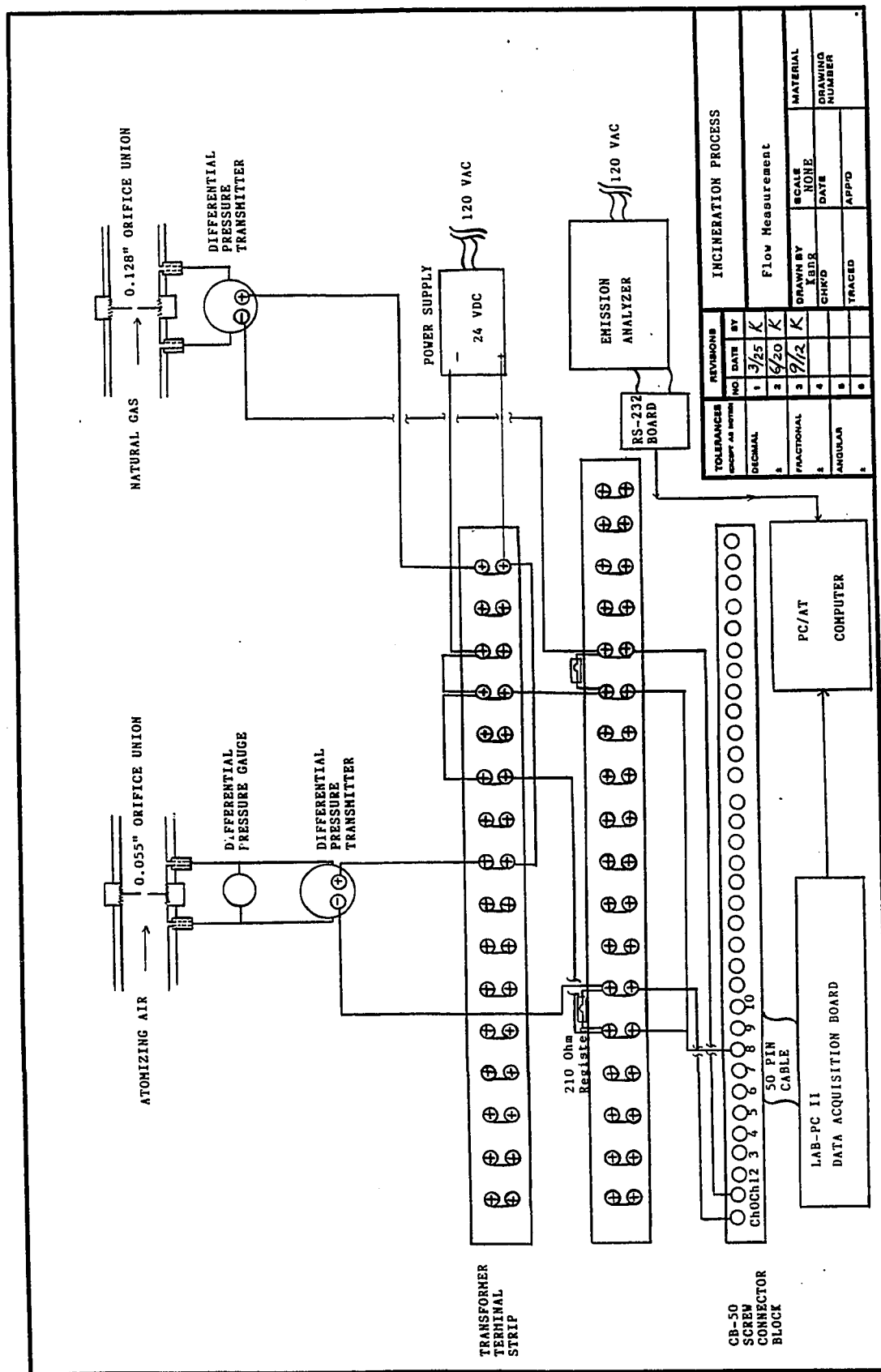


### 6.3 Measurement Using Data Acquisition System

In the flow measurement of atomizing air and natural gas, the output voltage signal from the DPT goes to a screw terminal block (CB-50 Block) as an analog single ended input signal. The CB-50 allows easy connection of analog/digital signals to the data acquisition board (Lab-PC Board, A/D hardware interface). The CB-50 consists of a 1 meter ribbon cable and a connector block with 50 screw terminals, corresponding to the 50-pin ribbon cable for the Lab-PC board. Connector pinout information is shown in the Lab-Pc user's manual. The single ended signal is sent to the Lab-PC board, which is installed in one of the 8-bit expansion slots in the PC/AT compatible computer. The instrumentation diagram for flow measurement is shown in Figure 14.

In the temperature measurement, the thermocouple input modules accept input signals from type J, R, and K thermocouples and generate 0 to +5V outputs. These modules incorporate a circuit design utilizing transformer-based isolation and automated surface mount manufacturing technology. This allows for long term stability and channel isolation. All modules are hard potted and identical in pinout and size (2.25"x2.25"x0.60"). They can be mixed and matched on a backplane which provides a complete signal conditioning solution and sixteen channels. Each channel has

FIGURE 14. INSTRUMENTATION DIAGRAM OF FLOW MEASUREMENT



four screw terminals for field connections. A cold junction sensor is supplied on each channel to accommodate TC module. The 16-channel backplane is mounted in a 19" x 3.5" panel space, and requires an external +5V power supply. In our system, the TC modules, type J, type R, and four type K was installed at channel No 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 respectively. The output signals from the thermocouple input modules on the backplane are converted to input connector signals for a second data acquisition board (in addition to the one used for the flow measurement system) through a cable adapter board. The cable adapter board (SC-2053) is inserted between the Lab-PC board and the backplane in order to interface the signal conditioning modules to the Lab-PC board. To connect the cable adapter board to the signal conditioning module on the backplane, a 26-pin ribbon cable is used. A 50-pin ribbon cable is used to connect the cable adapter board to the data acquisition board. Actual instrumentation for temperature measurement using data acquisition system is shown in Figure 15.

The data acquisition board (Lab-PC Board) [19] is a multifunction analog, digital, and timing input/output (I/O) board for the IBM PC/XT, PC/AT, PS/2, and compatible computers. It contains a 12-bit successive-approximation analog-to-digital converter (ADC) with eight analog inputs, two 12-bit digital-to-analog converter (DACs) with voltage



analog outputs, 24 lines of transistor-transistor logic (TTL) compatible digital I/O, and three 16-bit counter/timer channels for timing I/O. The analog input range is  $\pm 5$  V for bipolar input and 0 to 10 V for unipolar input. The Lab-PC board is configured at the factory to a base I/O address of hex 260, to use direct memory access (DMA) channel 3, and to use interrupt level 5. These settings are suitable for most systems. If different hardware board is used, these settings on the Lab-PC board will need to be changed as described in the Lab-PC User Manual [19]. For example, I/O address settings in the Lab-PC boards are hex 260 for the Lab-PC I (temperature measurement) and hex 2A0 for the Lab-PC II (flow measurement). The maximum number of Lab-PC boards that can be installed in the computer is four because of the limits on the integrating capacity of the software package (Measure).

Communication between the computer and test instruments is established using the Measure software package, an add-in for Lotus 1-2-3 that controls data acquisition hardware and collects, converts, and stores data directly into a 1-2-3 spreadsheet. Analog-to-digital, digital-to-analog, and digital input/output conversions are accomplished with Measure and the Lab-PC board. The information is entered into settings sheets that can be saved and reused. Lotus 1-2-3 can be used to reduce, analyze, and present the data

immediately. Procedures for adding the appropriate driver to a basic 1-2-3 driver set and starting Measure are described in the Data Acquisition Module Reference [20].

The data values returned by the data acquisition board are in raw analog-to-digital (A/D) form. The data acquisition board returns integers from 0 to 4095. In most applications, this raw A/D data (0-4095) must be converted into engineering units to be useful. First A/D data must be converted into voltage, which is same as the voltage produced by the instrument, and then the voltage is converted into the actual data (engineering units) by a linearization formula or interpolation at the voltage value. For example, the bipolar input formula for +/-5 V of analog input range is:

$$\text{Volts} = ([-2048) \times (\text{voltage span}/4095)$$

In this formula,  $[]$  represents the A/D data (0-4095) returned by the data acquisition board (Lab-PC). Voltage span is a decimal number that represents the total span of the input voltage range that has been selected, which is +5 minus (-5), or 10. For the unipolar formula,

$$\text{Volts} = [] \times (\text{voltage span}/4095)$$

These formulas are entered into the Measure data acquisition module using the Formula menu item. If a formula is active, the Measure data acquisition module automatically converts the raw data before placing it in the 1-2-3 spreadsheet.

In our system, the bipolar configuration settings are used for both Lab-PC boards. The conversion formula for the flow measurement, A/D data to voltage, is

$$\text{VOLTS} = ([ ] - 2048) \times (10/4095)$$

In order for voltage to be converted to the actual pressure drop or flow rate, the correlations for voltage to pressure drop or flow rate are applied. The correlations can be found from the experimental data in Chapter 8. For example, the correlation for the atomizing air line using 0.055-inch orifice is

$$\text{FLOW RATE (ft}^3/\text{hr)} = 2.487 \times (1.732452 \times V - 1.51884)^{0.64}$$

For the natural gas line,

$$\text{FLOW RATE (ft}^3/\text{hr)} = 10^{(0.4132 \log(0.2615 \times V - 0.2298) + 1.05)}$$

Thus, the actual flow rates can be found from measured voltages using the above formulas in the spread sheet.

For the temperature measurement, the conversion formula is the same as the one for the flow measurement; however, a gain factor for the thermocouple (TC) module must be added. Calculations of the gain factor for the TC modules used in our system are shown in Appendix B. For example, the actual voltage from the type K of TC is,

$$\text{VOLTAGE} = (\text{CONVERSION FORMULA FOR BIPOLAR}) \times (\text{GAIN FACTOR})$$

$$\text{CONVERSION FORMULA} = ([ ] - 2048) \times (10/4095)$$

$$\text{GAIN FACTOR FOR TYPE K} = (54.125 - (-3.553)) / 5 - 3.553$$



$$\text{VOLTAGE (V)} = \frac{\{([ ] - 2048) \times (10/4095)\} \times 11.5356 - 3.553}{1000}$$

Then the temperature can be computed from the voltage (above) using the polynomial correcting equation in nested form.

$$T \text{ (deg C)} = a_0 + V \times (a_1 + V \times (a_2 + V \times (a_3 + \dots)))$$

The polynomial coefficients can be found by regression [21].

## CHAPTER 7. OPERATING THE SYSTEM USING THE FLAME SAFEGUARD CONTROL

As a flame safeguard control system, interlocks (safety shutoff valves), limits (pressure and temperature switches, toggle switches, push buttons), and a programmable logic control unit (PLC), manufactured by G.E. Fanuc, are used to provide safe control of burner operation, including safe starting and stopping of the burner and supervision of the burner flame during operation.

Low and high-pressure limits for all feeds (atomizing air, oil, and natural gas) are set in the dual pressure limit switches. Low and high temperature single switches are installed on the oil line to limit the temperature of the heavy viscosity oil. Shutoff valves (solenoid valves) and push buttons are conditioned by "normally-open" or "normally-closed", which refers to contact states with no power flow through the relay coil. Instructions programmed into the memory of the PLC control the functioning of the interlocks for given conditions. The theory of the PLC is explained in Appendix C.

The PLC unit consists of a 16 point input terminal, a 12 point output terminal, and a hand-held programmer. The advantages of using the PLC rather than hardware control

systems (relays, electrical timers and counters, or mechanical drum sequencers) are reliability, compactness, ease of maintenance, and versatility. For instance, if one more input or output devices have to be added to the system, one only needs to access the electrical wire to the input or output terminal point and to change the program in the PLC. A disadvantage of the PLC is that time is required to understand the system and programming, depending on the user's knowledge of PLC operation.

In order to program the instructions, the logical sequence, or logic chart, of how the process functions must be provided. Based on the logic chart, a ladder diagram is constructed for the desired actions of the control circuit. Elements of the ladder diagram represent contacts (normally-open and normally-closed contacts), coils, and other functional components. The next step is to develop logic programs on the real PLC using specific programming techniques from the G.E. series manual. In the next section, the logic programs will be developed from the operational procedure, logic chart (Figure 16), and ladder diagram (Figure 17), and then tested by operating the system.

## 7.1 Standards from the National Fire Code for Incinerator Operation

Before establishing a procedure to operate the system, the following sequences are applied to the system according to the National Fire Code [22]. The system is operated semi-automatically by the PLC and the operator. The four major operation modes are described as follows: pre-firing, light-off, modulation, and shutdown.

### A. Sequence of Programmed Steps in Pre-firing Operation

1. Circulate oil using the recirculating system to satisfy all interlocks where included. (Heavy oil must be heated)
2. Make sure the fuel safety shutoff valve is closed.
3. Check with flame sensor that no flame is present at the burner.
4. Start fan.
5. Admit atomizing air to main burner.
6. Satisfy atomizing air interlocks.
7. Satisfy appropriate fuel interlocks.
8. Flush out the incineration chamber with air to remove combusted or especially uncombusted gases.  
(Purging the incinerator prior to pilot gas ignition is performed to remove any uncombusted gases, which is called pre-purge.)

B. Sequence Programmed Step in Light-off Operation After Completion of Pre-firing.

10. Energize igniter.

11. Make sure main flame starts within 15 seconds.

\* If main flame starts, admit fuel to main burner.

\* If not, establish safety shutdown.

12. Shut off igniter.

C. Modulation

Modulation is accomplished manually to vary the fuel and air flows to the burner in accordance with load demand and to meet operating criteria.

D. Sequence of Programmed Step in Normal Shutdown Operation

13. Shut off fuel supply to main burner.

14. For oil:

\* Open recirculating valve.

\* Shut off atomizing air.

15. For gas, vent gas piping before safety shutoff valve to atmosphere.

16. Post-purge the incinerator after the flame is extinguished to remove any uncombusted gases which could ignite when in contact with the hot refractory wall of the

chamber.

17. After post-purge, shut down fan.

D'. Safety shutdown interlocks are provided for fail-safe operation. The following conditions will trigger a safety shutdown until the necessary corrective action is taken to assure that safe operating conditions prevail before restarting.

\* Safety Interlocks for Oil Delivery System:

- 1>. Under-pressure in the fuel supply at the inlet to the safety shutoff valve.
- 2>. Under-temperature of Nos. 5 and 6 oils.
- 3>. Loss of combustion air supply.
- 4>. Loss of or failure to establish flame.
- 5>. Loss of control system actuating energy, pneumatic or hydraulic valves.
- 6>. Loss of, or under-pressure in, the atomizing air supply.
- 7>. Loss of power supply.

\* Safety Interlocks for Gas Delivery System:

- 1>. Over-or under-pressure in the gas supply at the service connection.

- 2>. Loss of combustion air supply.
- 3>. Loss of, or failure to establish, flame.
- 4>. Loss of control system actuating energy, pneumatic or hydraulic valves.
- 5>. Loss of, or under-pressure in, the atomizing air supply.
- 6>. Loss of power supply.

The safety shutdown consists of the following:

- 13. Shut off fuel supply to main burner.
- 14. Shut off fuel supply to the igniter and interrupt spark if igniter is in operation.
- 15. For oil:
  - \* Open recirculating valve.
  - \* Shut off atomizing air.
- 16. For gas, vent gas piping before shutoff valve to atmosphere.
- 17. After post purge, shut down fan.
- 18. Manually reset the interlocks.

## 7.2 Operating Procedures

The overall operating procedures include both manual and automatic actions. These are described for each operating mode as follows:

Note: Specifications shown in brackets < > are performed by the PLC automatically when the operator performs the preceding instructions. A logic chart and ladder diagram for programming the specifications into the PLC are shown as figures 16 and 17.

### A. Sequence of Operating Steps for Pre-firing

1. Open manual oil valve with fuel oil circulating.  
    <oil limits>
2. Power oil pump on. Do not turn on the pump when natural gas only is burning.
3. Power PLC on and push RUN mode.
4. Power input and output devices on.
5. Push purge start button. (Air fan is on. After 120 seconds, "Purge Complete" indicator will be on.)  
    <Start air fan>
6. Select Oil/Gas/Both switch. (Toggle switches)  
    ("Oil" switch is for burning light oil.  
    "Gas" switch is for burning natural gas only.  
    "Oil and Gas" switch is for burning heavy oil.)



7. Open manual atomizing air (ATM air) valve,  
unless "Gas" switch was selected.

<ATM air limits>

<Admit ATM air to burner>

B. Sequence of Light-off Operating Steps Following Pre-firing

8. Open manual natural gas valve.

("Gas Limits" indicator is on.)

<Gas limits>

9. Push pilot start button.

("Pilot On" indicator is on.)

<Pilot on>

Fifteen seconds after pushing the pilot start button, "Pilot On" indicator will be on. Otherwise, two indicators ("Purge Complete" and "Gas Limits") will be off. In order to reignite:

\* Close The ATM Air manual valve.

\* Open the manual vent valve on the gas line.

\* Close the manual gas valve.

\* Push the burn stop button.

\* Then go back to step 5. (Push the purge start button.)

10. Push gas start button if gas is selected in step 6.

("Gas On" indicator is on.)

<Admit main gas>

11. Push oil start button if oil is selected in step 6.

("Oil On" indicator is on.)

<Admit main oil>

#### C. Modulation

Adjust the speed controller on the fuel oil pump to vary fuel oil flow rate or the speed controller on the air fan to vary combustion air flow rate.

#### D. Sequence of Shutdown Operating Steps

1. Close the oil and gas supply manual valves.

(All indicators are off except "Purge Complete".)

2. Open the manual vent gas valve.

3. Close the ATM air supply valve.

4. Push the burn stop button.

("Purge Complete" indicator is off. After two minutes, the air fan will be off.)

FIGURE 16. LOGIC CHART

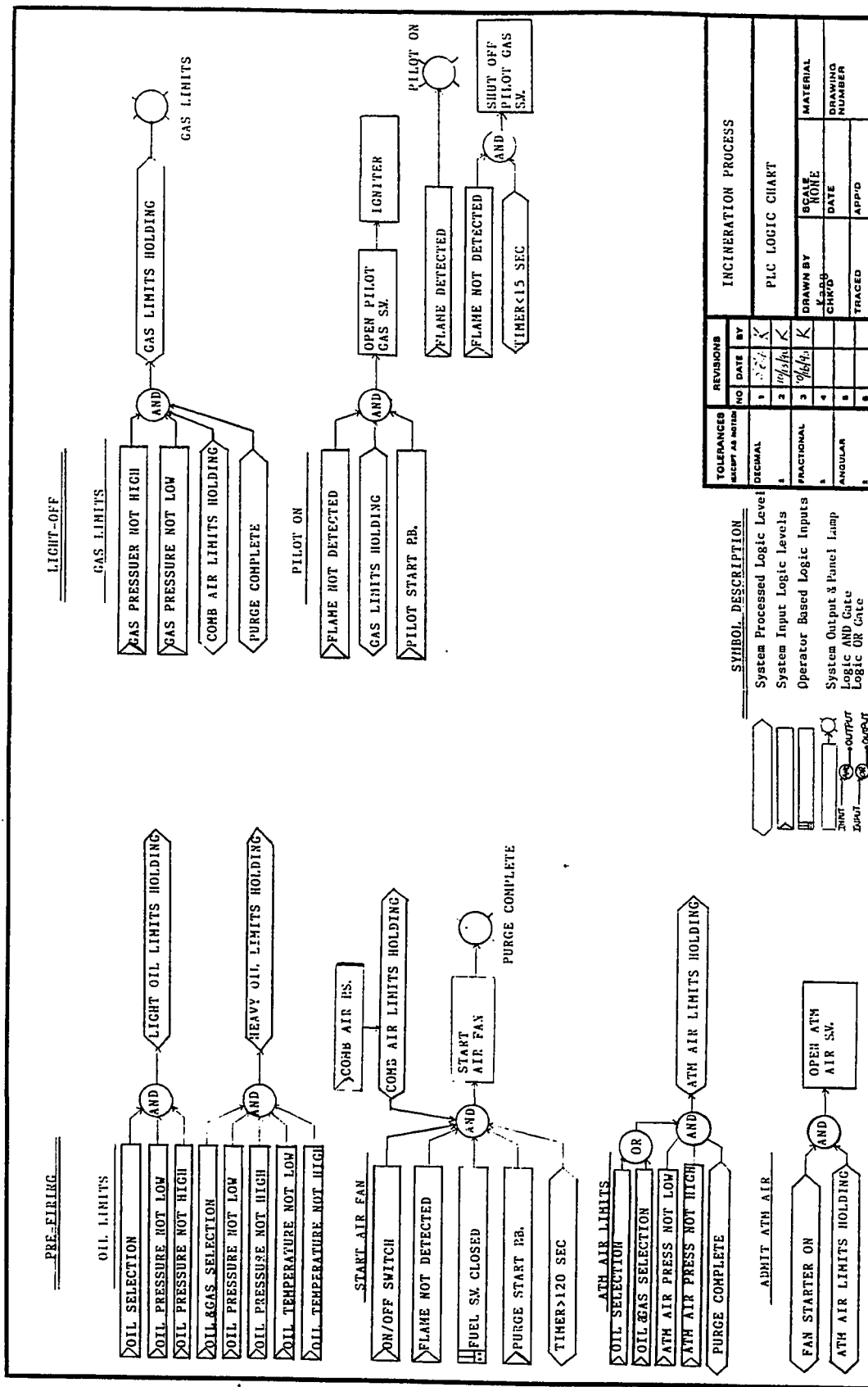
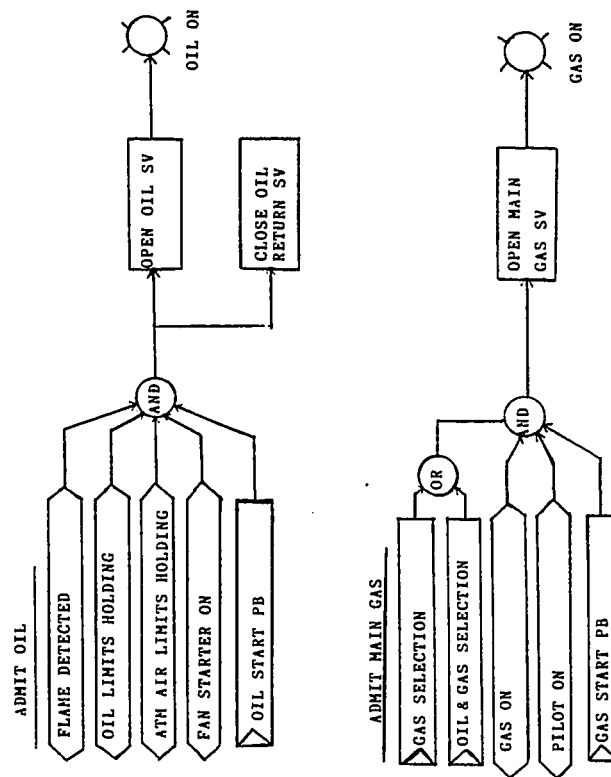


FIGURE 16. LOGIC CHART



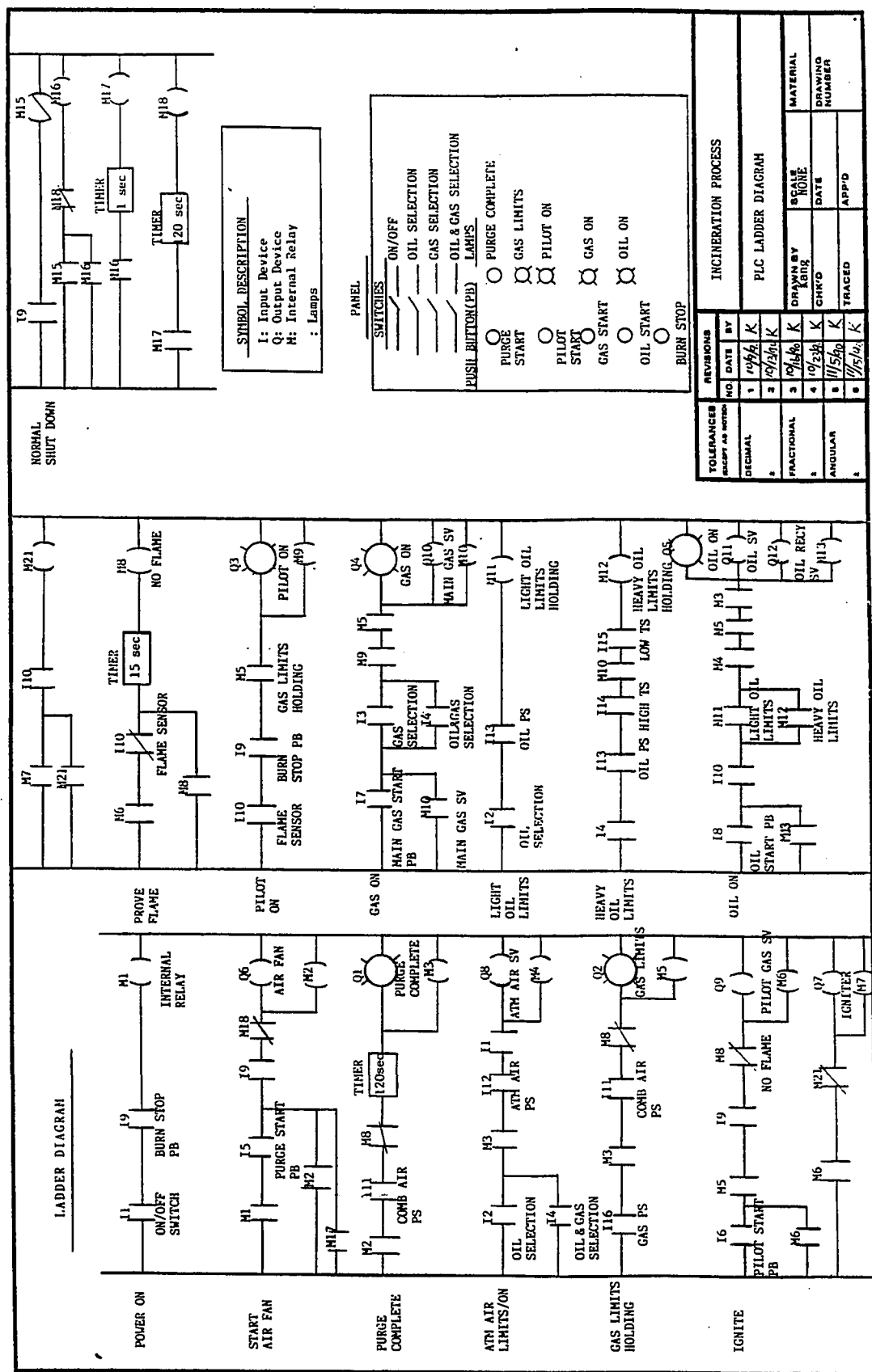
| TOLERANCES<br>EXCEPT AS NOTED |         | REVISIONS |       | INCINERATION PROCESS |                   |
|-------------------------------|---------|-----------|-------|----------------------|-------------------|
| NO                            | DATE    | BY        |       | PLC LOGIC CHART      |                   |
| 1                             | 10/6/00 | K         |       |                      |                   |
| 2                             | 10/3/00 | K         |       |                      |                   |
| 3                             | 10/17   | K         |       |                      |                   |
| 4                             |         |           |       |                      |                   |
| 5                             |         |           |       |                      |                   |
| 6                             |         |           |       |                      |                   |
|                               |         | TRACED    | APP'D | SCALE<br>NONE        | MATERIAL          |
|                               |         |           |       | DATE                 | DRAWING<br>NUMBER |

### 7.3 Description of PLC Ladder Diagram

The PLC ladder diagram is a representation of the control system for the safe operation of the incineration process, including start-up, normal shutdown, and emergency shutdown (flame safeguard). The vertical lines on either side of the diagram (Figure 17) represent power buses, with current flowing from left to right. The horizontal lines (rungs) contain the programmable logic for controlling the process. Normally open or closed contacts, which can represent actual input devices (ie. switches) or internal contacts, determine whether power is transferred to the output devices at the right power bus. Output devices can be actual devices such as solenoid valves, indicator lights, or internal relay coils which are programmable parameters which can be utilized as needed. In the diagram, logic elements are identified by a number preceded by a letter which indicates its function. An "I" preceding a number represents a real input device. A "Q" represents a real output device. A "M" denotes a logic parameter which is programmable.

The first rung represents system power-on. When the normally-open (N.O.) On/Off switch is closed, power is passed to the stop switch which is normally-closed (N.C.) and continue to the internal relay (I.R.) coil M1, energizing it.

FIGURE 17. LADDER DIAGRAM



Rung two logic operates the combustion air fan. N.O. contact M1 closes as internal relay M1 is energized, passing power to I5, the Purge Start push button. When this push button (P.B.) is pressed, power passes through the N.C. Stop P.B. to Q6 which turns on the fan, and I.R. M2 which closes contact M2 which keeps power flowing until the Stop P.B. is pressed breaking power flow. Contact M17 is for post-purge and becomes activated when the Stop button is pushed.

Rung three represents purge complete logic. M2 contact is closed in Rung 2 passing power to the N.O. Combustion Air pressure switch (P.S.), which closes when pressure is adequate, to a timer, which after 120 seconds passes power through the N.C. M8 contact to the Purge Complete indicator light and I.R. coil M3.

In Rung four, atomizing air limits are monitored. Power is passed through the Oil Selection switch or Oil & Gas Selection switch, determined by the operator, through the purge complete contact M3, to the ATM Air P.S. which closes when pressure is adequate through the On/Off switch to the ATM Air solenoid valve (S.V.) and I.R. coil M4.

In the fifth rung, power is supplied to the Gas Limits Lamp and I.R. coil M5 when the Natural Gas P.S. closes (adequate pressure).

The sixth rung controls the flame igniter. If gas limits are holding and no flame is detected, the Pilot Gas S.V.

will open when the Pilot Start P.B. is pressed. I.R. coil M6 is also energized, closing contact M6 in Rung 7, which sends power to the igniter and I.R. M7.

In Rung 8, the closed M7 contact passes power to the Flame Sensor contact which is represented as a N.C. contact. If no flame is detected, the contact remains closed, passing power to a timer of 15 seconds. If no flame is detected in 15 seconds, power is passed to I.R. coil M8. If M8 is energized, the N.C. contact M8 in Rungs 3, 5, and 6 is opened, causing a loss of purge complete, ATM air limits, and natural gas limits, causing the star-up sequence to stop. The start-up must be started again from the beginning. If a flame is detected, however, the N.O. Flame Sensor contact I10 in Rung 9 closes which passes power the Pilot-On indicator and I.R. M9.

Rung 10 controls the main gas line. When power is passed through the Gas Start P.B. and either the Gas Selection switch or the Oil & Gas Selection switch and through contacts M5 and M9, which were previously energized, the Main Gas S.V. is opened and the Gas-On indicator is lit. I.R. coil M10 is also energized.

Rung 11 contains logic for the light oil limits. If the Oil Selection switch is closed and the oil pressure is adequate, power is passed through the N.O. Oil P.S. to I.R. M11.



In Rung 12, heavy-oil limits are determined. If the Gas and Oil switch (I4) is selected and the N.O. Oil P.S. closes, power is passed to the Oil Temperature switches. The High Temperature Switch will remain closed as long as the oil temperature is below the high set point. The Low Temperature Switch, which is N.O., will close when the oil temperature is above the low set point. If these conditions are met, power will be passed to I.R. M12.

Rung 13 controls the main oil line. When the Oil Start P.B. is pressed, power is passed to a N.O. contact associated with the flame sensor. If a flame is detected, the contact closes, passing power through three contacts associated with oil and air limits and purge complete. This will energize the Oil-On indicator and I.R. M13, open the Main Oil S.V., and close the Oil Recycle S.V..

Rungs 14-17 control post-purge after burning has stopped. I.R. 15 energizes when it does not receive power flow, i.e. when the Stop P.B. is pressed, contact M15 closes in Rung 15 energizing I.R. M16. Contact M16 then energizes I.R. M17 after one second delay. This keeps the fan operating in Rung 2 for 120 seconds, completing the post purge.

#### 7.4 Logic Program in the PLC

The ladder logic program for the incineration process is established following the User's Manual [24] which describes how to install and use the Hand-Held Programmer to create the program.

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0001 LD I1
0002 AND I9
0003 OUT M1
0004 LD M1
0005 AND I5
0006 OR M2
0007 OR M17
0008 AND I9
0009 AND NOT M18
0010 OUT Q38
0011 OUT M2
0012 LD M2
0013 AND I11
0014 AND NOT M8
0015 FUNC 10 {P1:10, P2:1200, p3:R1}
0016 OUT Q33
0017 OUT M3
0018 LD I2
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0019 OR I4  
0020 AND M3  
0021 AND I12  
0022 AND I1  
0023 OUT Q40  
0024 OUT M4  
0025 LD I16  
0026 AND M3  
0027 AND I11  
0028 AND NOT M8  
0029 OUT Q34  
0030 OUT M5  
0031 LD I6  
0032 OR M6  
0033 AND M5  
0034 AND I9  
0035 AND NOT M8  
0036 OUT Q41  
0037 OUT M6  
0038 LD M6  
0039 AND NOT M21  
0040 OUT Q39  
0041 OUT M7  
0042 LD M7  
0043 OR M21

0044 AND I10  
0045 OUT M21  
0046 LD M6  
0047 AND NOT I10  
0048 OR M8  
0049 FUNC 10 {P1:10, P2:150, P3:R4}  
0050 OUT M8  
0051 LD I10  
0052 AND I9  
0053 AND M5  
0054 OUT Q35  
0055 OUT M9  
0056 LD I7  
0057 OR M10  
0058 LD I3  
0059 OR I4  
0060 AND BLK  
0061 AND M9  
0062 AND M5  
0063 OUT Q36  
0064 OUT Q42  
0065 OUT M10  
0066 LD I2  
0067 AND I13  
0068 OUT M11

0069 LD I4  
0070 AND I13  
0071 AND I14  
0072 AND M10  
0073 AND I15  
0074 OUT M12  
0075 LD I8  
0076 OR M13  
0077 LD M11  
0078 OR M12  
0079 AND BLK  
0080 AND I10  
0081 AND M4  
0082 AND M5  
0083 AND M3  
0084 OUT Q37  
0085 OUT Q43  
0086 OUT Q44  
0087 OUT M13  
0088 LD I9  
0089 OUT NOT M15  
0090 LD M15  
0091 OR M16  
0092 AND NOT M18  
0093 OUT M16

0094 LD M16  
0095 FUNC 10 {P1:10, P2:10, P3:R7}  
0096 OUT M17  
0097 LD M17  
0098 FUNC 10 {P1:10, P2:1200, P3:R10}  
0099 OUT M18

CHAPTER 8. TEST OF MEASUREMENT, DATA ACQUISITION, AND FLAME  
SAFEGUARD SYSTEMS

8.1 Calibration of Oil Pump

The oil pump unit was calibrated by running water through the oil line, including pressure and temperature switches and solenoid valves from the oil container in the tank. Flow rates of water for various rpm of the speed controller on the pump drive were recorded for two pump heads (No 13 and No 14).

Table 7. Calibration of Pump Drive Using Water at 25°C

| RPM of Speed Controller | Flow Rate of Water<br>(Cm <sup>3</sup> /min) |       |
|-------------------------|--|-------|
|                         | No.13  | No.14 |
| 1000                    | 5.9  | 19.2  |
| 900                     | 5.3  | 17.2  |
| 800                     | 4.7  | 15.2  |
| 700                     | 4.1  | 13.2  |
| 600                     | 3.5  | 11.2  |
| 500                     | 2.9  | 9.2   |
| 400                     | 2.3  | 7.2   |
| 300                     | 1.7  | 5.2   |
| 200                     | 1.1  | 3.2   |
| 100                     | 0.5  | 1.2   |

It was found that for the range of rpm  $100 < \text{rpm} < 1000$ , the flow rate of water was well-represented by a linear equation:

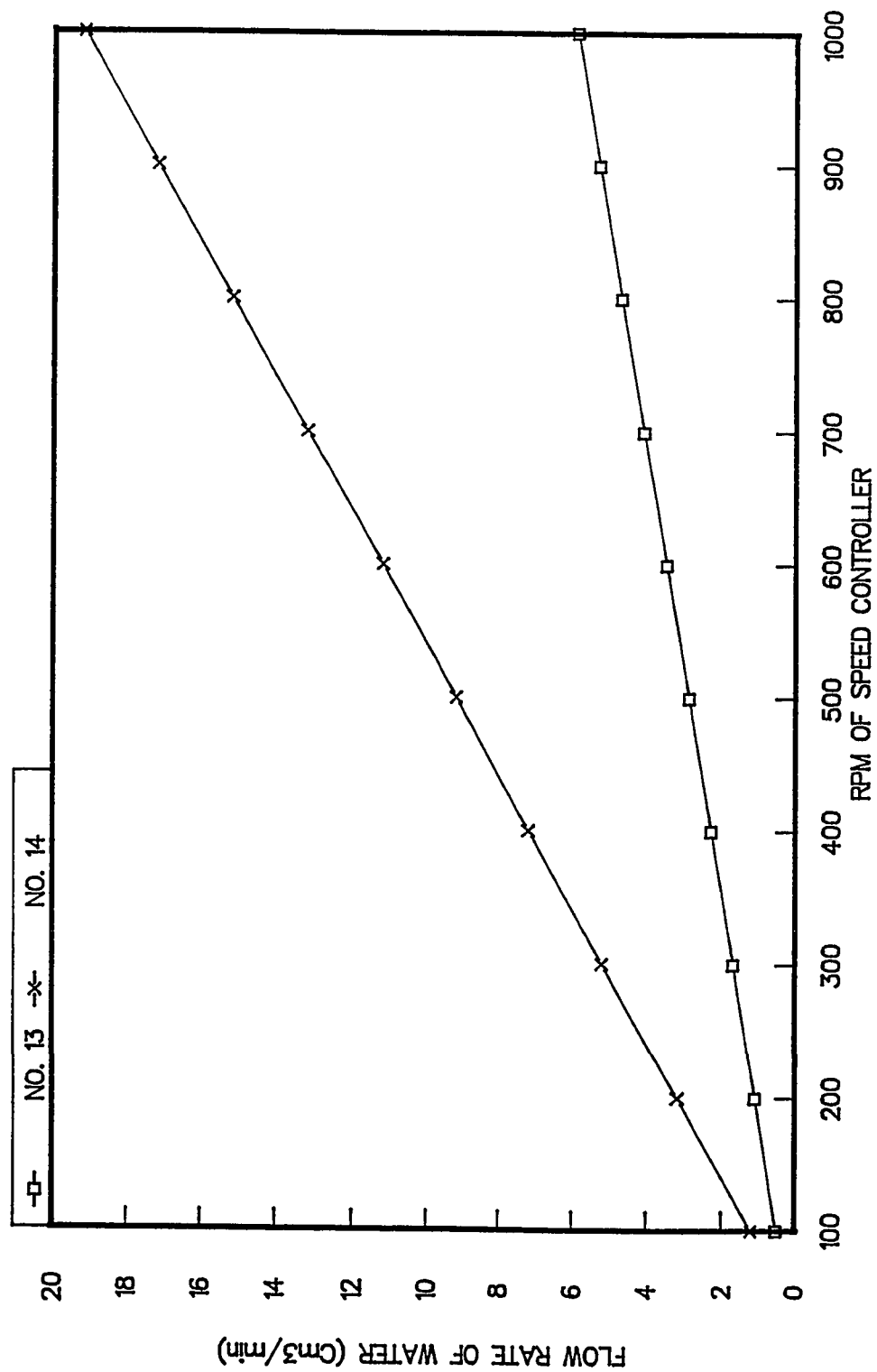
for No 13,  $Q = 0.006 \times \text{RPM} - 0.1$

for No 14,  $Q = 0.02 \times \text{RPM} - 0.8$ ,

where  $Q = \text{Cm}^3/\text{min}$ .



FIGURE 18. CALIBRATION OF THE OIL PUMP  
USING WATER AT 25 deg C



## 8.2 Calibration of Atomizing Air and Natural Gas Flows

The compressed air in the laboratory was regulated to 10 psig before running the air through the atomizing air line. Pressure drops were measured by a differential pressure gauge (0 - 10 psi). The voltages produced from the DPT were measured by a multimeter, and the volumetric flow rate of the air was measured by a wet test meter which had a thermometer and a manometer. The DPT was first calibrated by adjusting "span" and "zero" screws to 4 mA at 0 pressure drop and 20 mA at 6 psi of pressure drop. The regulator was opened slowly until the pressure was 0.5 psi, and the voltage, flow rate, pressure, and temperature of the flowing air were recorded. This was for a range of drops to 6 psi. Table 8 shows the air flow rates for the various pressure drops and voltages using the two orifices ( $D_o=0.035$ " and  $D_o=0.055$ " ).

The smaller orifice can be used for a range of flow rates from 0 to 4.35 ft<sup>3</sup>/hr. The 0.055 inch orifice can be used to measure the range of atomizing air flow rates expected for our system (2.0-6.7 ft<sup>3</sup>/hr).

Table 8. Air Flow Rate VS Pressure Drop Measured  
by Wet Test Meter for Do=0.035"

| del P<br>(PSID) | SQUARE RT<br>OF del P | CURRENT<br>(mA) | VOLTAGE<br>(V) | Qm(V RATE<br>Pa=8PSIG | OF AIR:FT3/HR)<br>20PSIG | 30PSIG |
|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|--------|
| 0.00            | 0.00                  | 4.00            | 0.86           | 0.00                  | 0.00                     | 0.00   |
| 0.20            | 0.45                  | 4.30            | 0.93           | 0.28                  | 0.15                     | 0.00   |
| 0.40            | 0.63                  | 4.90            | 1.05           | 0.66                  | 0.65                     | 0.54   |
| 0.60            | 0.77                  | 5.40            | 1.15           | 0.88                  | 0.89                     | 0.88   |
| 1.00            | 1.00                  | 6.60            | 1.41           | 1.24                  | 1.38                     | 1.41   |
| 1.50            | 1.22                  | 7.80            | 1.65           | 1.51                  | 1.70                     | 1.93   |
| 2.00            | 1.41                  | 9.20            | 1.96           | 1.77                  | 2.00                     | 2.32   |
| 2.50            | 1.58                  | 10.40           | 2.21           | 1.97                  | 2.25                     | 2.62   |
| 3.00            | 1.73                  | 11.90           | 2.53           | 2.21                  | 2.52                     | 2.97   |
| 3.50            | 1.87                  | 13.30           | 2.80           | 2.34                  | 2.80                     | 3.25   |
| 4.00            | 2.00                  | 14.50           | 3.06           | 2.55                  | 2.95                     | 3.50   |
| 4.50            | 2.12                  | 15.90           | 3.34           | 2.65                  | 3.21                     | 3.74   |
| 5.00            | 2.24                  | 17.10           | 3.59           | 2.72                  | 3.35                     | 3.90   |
| 5.50            | 2.35                  | 18.50           | 3.90           | 2.82                  | 3.42                     | 4.05   |
| 6.00            | 2.45                  | 20.00           | 4.20           | 3.00                  | 3.53                     | 4.35   |

Air Flow Rate VS Pressure Drop by Wet Test Meter  
for Do=0.055"

| del P<br>(PSID) | SQUARE RT<br>OF del P | CURRENT<br>(mA) | VOLTAGE<br>(V) | Qm(V RATE<br>Pa=8PSIG | OF AIR:FT3/HR)<br>20PSIG | 30PSIG |
|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|--------|
| 0.00            | 0.00                  | 4.00            | 0.86           | 0.00                  | 0.00                     | 0.00   |
| 0.20            | 0.45                  | 4.20            | 0.91           | 0.87                  | 0.52                     | 0.38   |
| 0.40            | 0.63                  | 4.60            | 0.99           | 1.45                  | 1.70                     | 1.82   |
| 0.60            | 0.77                  | 5.20            | 1.12           | 2.25                  | 2.50                     | 2.56   |
| 1.00            | 1.00                  | 6.30            | 1.35           | 3.12                  | 3.60                     | 4.15   |
| 1.50            | 1.22                  | 7.60            | 1.63           | 3.78                  | 4.67                     | 4.76   |
| 2.00            | 1.41                  | 9.10            | 1.93           | 4.58                  | 5.34                     | 6.08   |
| 2.50            | 1.58                  | 10.40           | 2.21           | 5.05                  | 5.65                     | 6.70   |
| 3.00            | 1.73                  | 11.60           | 2.46           | 5.30                  | 6.20                     | 7.28   |
| 3.50            | 1.87                  | 13.30           | 2.80           | 5.72                  | 6.65                     | 7.80   |
| 4.00            | 2.00                  | 14.50           | 3.06           | 6.00                  | 7.12                     | 8.38   |
| 4.50            | 2.12                  | 15.80           | 3.33           | 6.20                  | 7.47                     | 8.48   |
| 5.00            | 2.24                  | 17.10           | 3.59           | 6.48                  | 7.92                     | 9.05   |
| 5.50            | 2.35                  | 18.50           | 3.90           | 6.75                  | 8.15                     | 9.52   |
| 6.00            | 2.45                  | 20.00           | 4.20           | 7.00                  | 8.52                     | 9.95   |

The correlations between standard volumetric flow rate ( $Q_s$ ) and voltage ( $V$ ) can be found from Table 9 for use in the data acquisition system to compute the atomizing air flow rate. The measured flow rate ( $Q_m$ ) was corrected to the standard flow rate ( $Q_s$ ) by the measuring temperature ( $T_m$ ) and pressure ( $P_m$ ). From the ideal gas law,

$$\frac{P_m \times Q_m}{T_m} = \frac{P_s \times Q_s}{T_s} = \text{a constant}$$

Subscripts "m" and "s" are the measured and standard values, respectively. To determine  $Q_s$  at  $T_s$  and  $P_s$ ,

$$Q_s = (P_m / P_s) \times (T_s / T_m) \times Q_m$$

where  $T_s = 32 \text{ F} = 491.7 \text{ R}$

$$P_s = 29.92 \text{ in Hg} = 760 \text{ mm Hg}$$

$$P_m = P_{br} + P_n - P_v$$

$P_{br}$  : Barometric pressure reading

$P_n$  : Manometer reading

$P_v$  : Water vapor pressure at  $T_m$

An approximate linear relationship between voltage, pressure drops, and  $Q$  was obtained as follows:

$$\text{del\_P} = 1.732452 \times V - 1.51884$$

$$Q_s = 2.487 \times (\text{del\_P})^{0.64}$$

$$\text{Thus, } Q_s = 2.487 \times (1.732452 \times V - 1.51884)^{0.64}$$

Table 9. Calibration for Atomizing Air Line Using Do=0.055"

| dP (PSI) | VOLTAGE | Qm (FT3/HR) | T (F)   | Pbr (PSIG) | Pbr (inHg) | Pv (mmHg) |
|----------|---------|-------------|---------|------------|------------|-----------|
| 0.0000   | 0.8767  | 0.0000      | 71.7000 | 0.0000     | 0.0000     | 0.0000    |
| 0.5000   | 1.1100  | 1.7500      | 71.7000 | 0.2000     | 30.1200    | 19.9000   |
| 1.0000   | 1.4400  | 2.8000      | 71.5000 | 0.5000     | 30.4200    | 19.8000   |
| 1.5000   | 1.7100  | 3.5100      | 71.5000 | 1.0000     | 30.9200    | 19.8000   |
| 2.0000   | 2.0200  | 4.1000      | 71.2000 | 2.0000     | 31.9200    | 19.5200   |
| 2.5000   | 2.3000  | 4.5600      | 71.0000 | 2.8000     | 32.7200    | 19.4100   |
| 3.0000   | 2.5800  | 5.0200      | 70.8000 | 3.2000     | 33.1200    | 19.3000   |
| 3.5000   | 2.8900  | 5.4600      | 70.5000 | 3.9000     | 33.8200    | 19.1000   |
| 4.0000   | 3.2000  | 5.8000      | 70.3000 | 4.3000     | 34.2200    | 18.9500   |
| 4.5000   | 3.4800  | 6.1400      | 70.1000 | 5.0000     | 34.9200    | 18.8500   |
| 5.0000   | 3.7500  | 6.4700      | 69.8000 | 5.5000     | 35.4200    | 18.6500   |
| 5.5000   | 4.0400  | 6.7600      | 69.5000 | 6.2000     | 36.1200    | 18.5000   |
| 6.0000   | 4.3400  | 6.9300      | 69.2000 | 7.6000     | 37.5200    | 18.2400   |

| Pn (inHg) | Pm (inHg) | Tm (R)   | Qs     | SQRT_dP | Qcal   | Qcal-Qs |
|-----------|-----------|----------|--------|---------|--------|---------|
| 0.0000    | 0.0000    | 531.4000 | 0.0000 | 0.0000  | 0.0003 | 0.0003  |
| 0.0111    | 29.3477   | 531.4000 | 1.5883 | 0.7071  | 1.3928 | -0.1955 |
| 0.0133    | 29.6538   | 531.2000 | 2.5687 | 1.0000  | 2.4485 | -0.1203 |
| 0.0133    | 30.1538   | 531.2000 | 3.2744 | 1.2247  | 3.1458 | -0.1286 |
| 0.0133    | 31.1648   | 530.9000 | 3.9553 | 1.4142  | 3.8516 | -0.1037 |
| 0.0133    | 31.9692   | 530.7000 | 4.5143 | 1.5811  | 4.4313 | -0.0830 |
| 0.0141    | 32.3742   | 530.5000 | 5.0345 | 1.7321  | 4.9710 | -0.0635 |
| 0.0141    | 33.0821   | 530.2000 | 5.5987 | 1.8708  | 5.5325 | -0.0662 |
| 0.0141    | 33.4880   | 530.0000 | 6.0225 | 2.0000  | 6.0635 | 0.0410  |
| 0.0148    | 34.1927   | 529.8000 | 6.5122 | 2.1213  | 6.5216 | 0.0094  |
| 0.0148    | 34.7006   | 529.5000 | 6.9681 | 2.2361  | 6.9468 | -0.0213 |
| 0.0148    | 35.4065   | 529.2000 | 7.4327 | 2.3452  | 7.3877 | -0.0450 |
| 0.0155    | 36.8175   | 528.9000 | 7.9278 | 2.4495  | 7.8288 | -0.0990 |

$$Q_{cal} = 2.4870 \times (dP^{0.64})$$

$$dP = 1.73245 \times V - 1.51884$$

FIGURE 19. PRODUCED VOLTAGE FOR AIR LINE

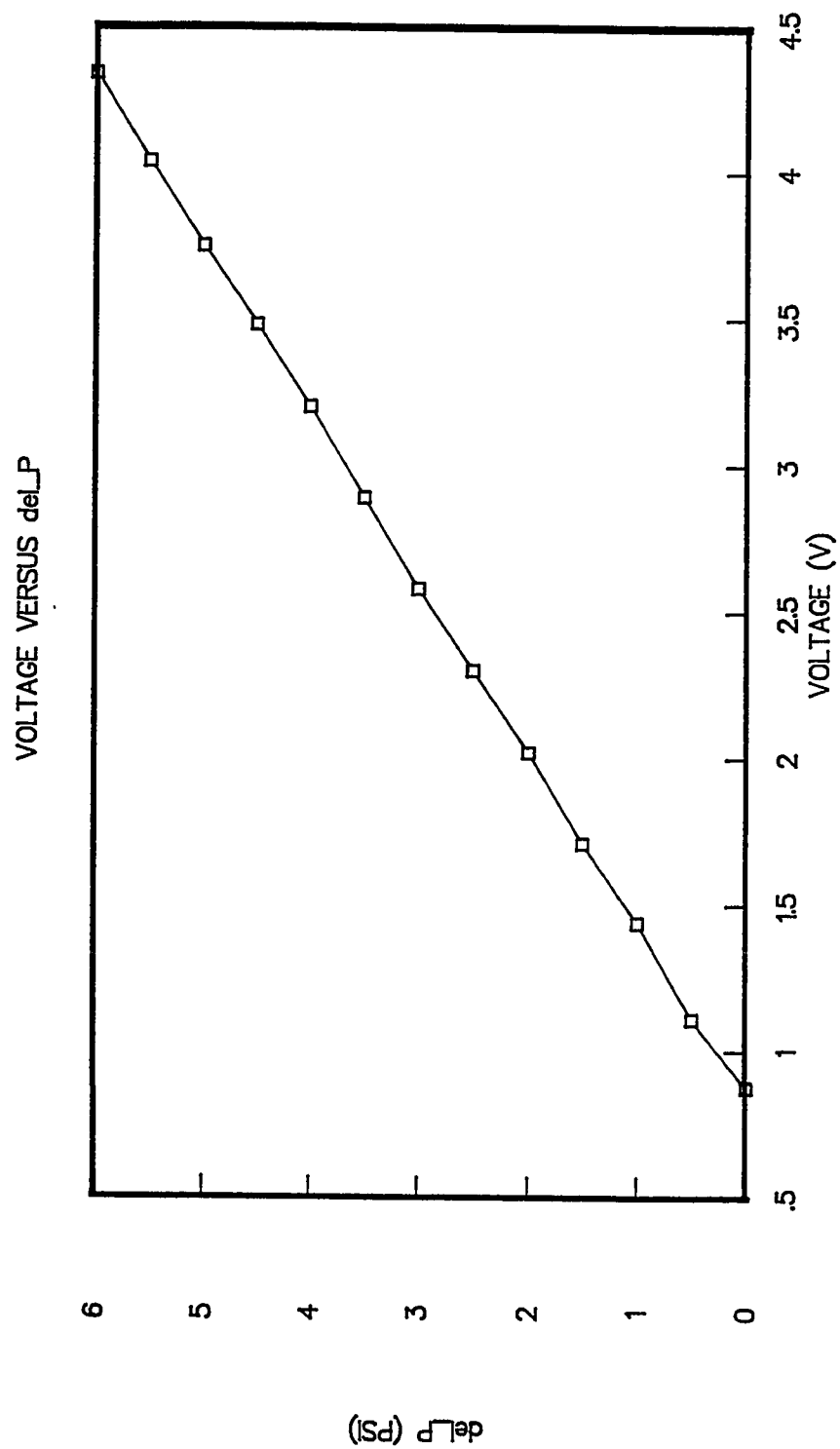
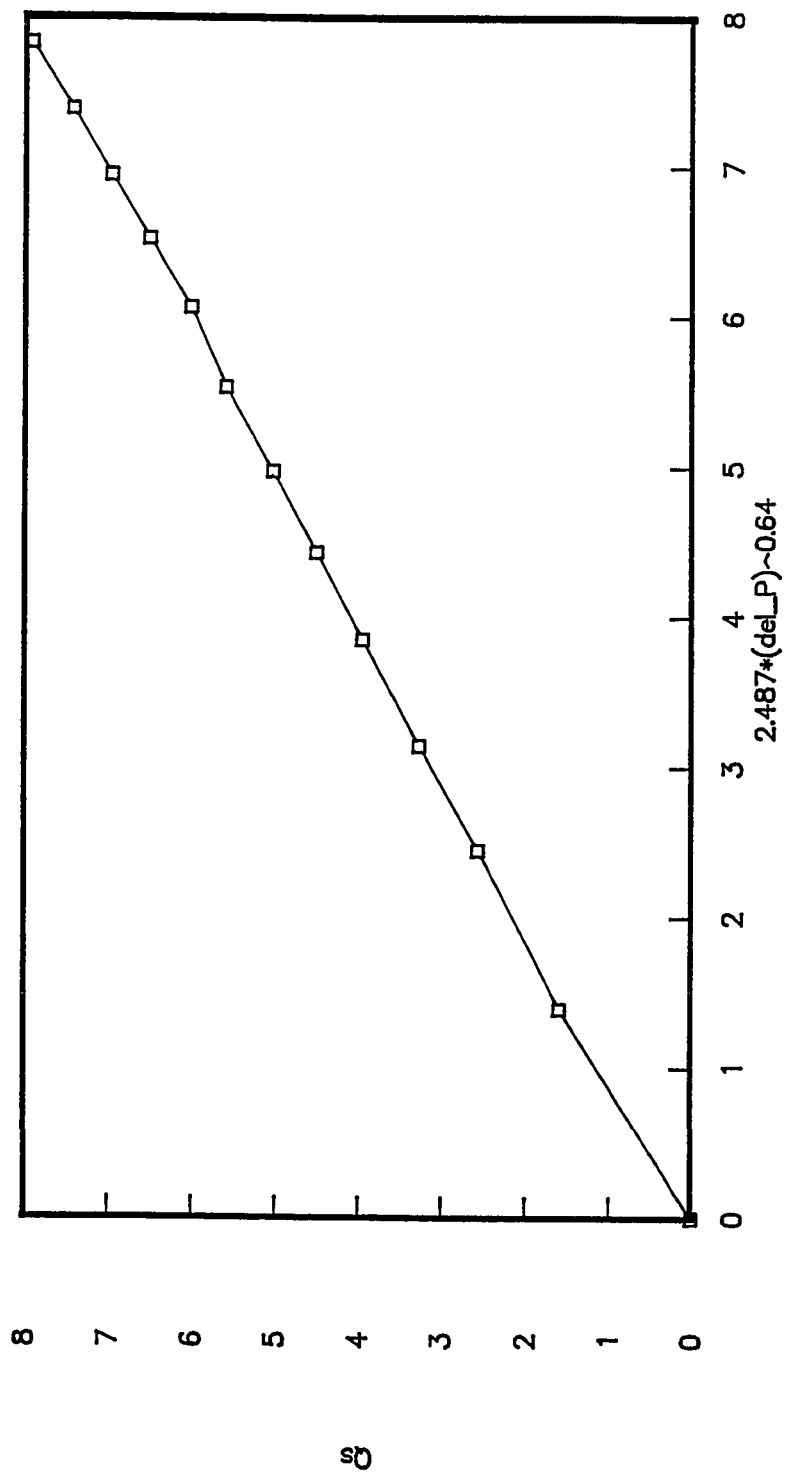


FIGURE 20. CALIBRATION FOR AIR LINE  
AIR FLOW RATE VERSUS  $\Delta P$  USING  $D_o=0.055"$



The flow measurement for the natural gas line was tested using regulated air. A differential pressure gauge was used to measure the pressure drop, from 0 to 25 in H<sub>2</sub>O, through the 0.128 inch orifice diameter. The pressure drop was nearly linear in the voltage produced from the DPT.

$$\text{del\_P} = 0.2615 \times V - 0.2298$$

The pressure drop was not perfectly linear with respect to Q<sub>s</sub>. The best-fit formula:

$$Q_s = 10^{(0.4132 \times \log(\text{del\_P}) + 1.05)}$$

Thus,  $Q_s = 10^{(0.4132 \times \log(0.2615 \times V - 0.2298) + 1.05)}$  is shown on Figure 21. The units of the Q and V are ft<sup>3</sup>/hr and volts respectively.



Table 10. Calibration for Natural Gas Line Using Do=0.128"

| dP (inH2OVOLTAGE | Qm(FT3/HR) | T(F)    | Pbr(PSIG) | Pbr(inHg) | Pv(mmHg) |
|------------------|------------|---------|-----------|-----------|----------|
| 0.0000           | 0.8788     | 0.0000  | 62.5000   | 0.0000    | 0.0000   |
| 2.0000           | 1.1000     | 3.8800  | 63.0000   | 0.0000    | 29.9200  |
| 4.0000           | 1.3400     | 5.4100  | 63.1000   | 0.0000    | 29.9200  |
| 6.0000           | 1.5850     | 6.5500  | 63.1000   | 0.0000    | 29.9200  |
| 8.0000           | 1.9000     | 7.7800  | 63.2000   | 0.0000    | 29.9200  |
| 10.0000          | 2.1800     | 8.6800  | 63.1000   | 0.0000    | 29.9200  |
| 12.0000          | 2.4800     | 9.2500  | 63.1000   | 0.4000    | 30.3200  |
| 14.0000          | 2.7800     | 9.6400  | 63.0000   | 1.0000    | 30.9200  |
| 16.0000          | 3.0700     | 9.8300  | 62.6000   | 1.5000    | 31.4200  |
| 18.0000          | 3.3700     | 9.9100  | 62.5000   | 1.9000    | 31.8200  |
| 20.0000          | 3.6500     | 10.0700 | 62.3000   | 2.2000    | 32.1200  |
| 22.0000          | 3.9400     | 10.2000 | 62.0000   | 2.4000    | 32.3200  |
| 24.0000          | 4.2000     | 10.4000 | 61.8000   | 2.6000    | 32.5200  |
| 25.0000          | 4.3300     | 10.4800 | 61.8000   | 2.8000    | 32.7200  |

| Pn(inHg) | Pm(inHg) | Tm(R)  | Qs      | LOG(Qs) | LOG(dP) | Qcal    | Qs-Qcal |
|----------|----------|--------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| 0.0000   | 0.0000   | 522.20 | 0.0000  | 0.0000  | -5.207  | 0.0637  | -0.0637 |
| 0.0148   | 29.3533  | 522.70 | 3.5808  | 0.5540  | -1.237  | 3.2833  | 0.2975  |
| 0.0155   | 29.3529  | 522.80 | 4.9917  | 0.6983  | -0.918  | 4.5071  | 0.4847  |
| 0.0200   | 29.3573  | 522.80 | 6.0445  | 0.7814  | -0.733  | 5.4160  | 0.6285  |
| 0.0296   | 29.3658  | 522.90 | 7.1803  | 0.8561  | -0.573  | 6.3496  | 0.8307  |
| 0.0392   | 29.3766  | 522.80 | 8.0154  | 0.9039  | -0.468  | 7.0489  | 0.9665  |
| 0.0503   | 29.7877  | 522.80 | 8.6613  | 0.9376  | -0.378  | 7.7086  | 0.9527  |
| 0.0592   | 30.3989  | 522.70 | 9.2134  | 0.9644  | -0.303  | 8.3010  | 0.9124  |
| 0.0673   | 30.9153  | 522.30 | 9.5619  | 0.9805  | -0.241  | 8.8251  | 0.7369  |
| 0.0792   | 31.3291  | 522.20 | 9.7707  | 0.9899  | -0.186  | 9.3271  | 0.4435  |
| 0.0888   | 31.6419  | 522.00 | 10.0314 | 1.0014  | -0.139  | 9.7655  | 0.2659  |
| 0.0947   | 31.8557  | 521.70 | 10.2354 | 1.0101  | -0.096  | 10.1937 | 0.0417  |
| 0.1021   | 32.0670  | 521.50 | 10.5094 | 1.0216  | -0.061  | 10.5584 | -0.0490 |
| 0.1066   | 32.2715  | 521.50 | 10.6577 | 1.0277  | -0.044  | 10.7346 | -0.0769 |

$$Qcal=10^{(0.4132 \times \text{LOG}(dP) + 1.05)} \quad dP=0.2615 \times V - 0.2298$$

FIGURE 21. PRODUCED VOLTAGE FOR NATURAL GAS LINE

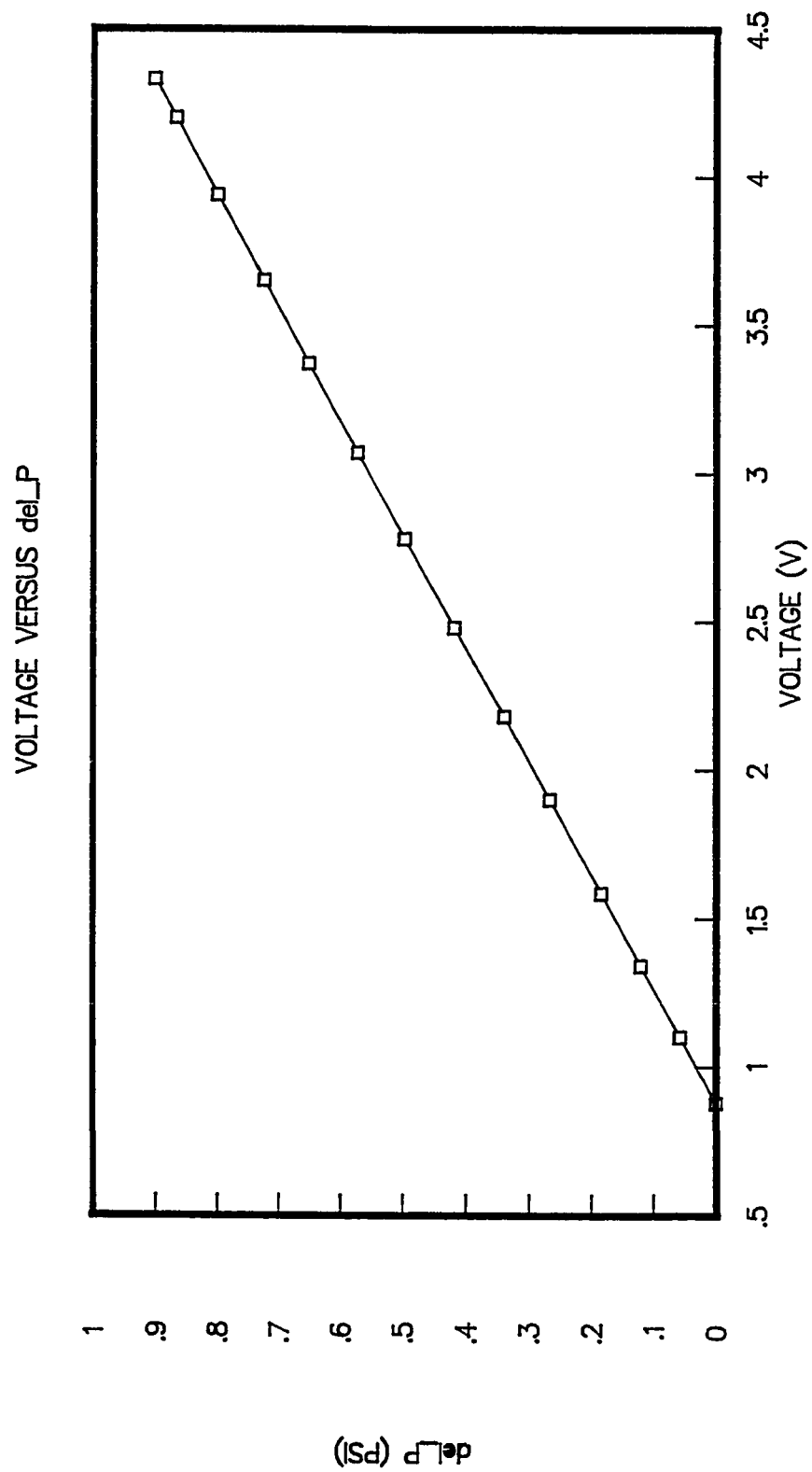
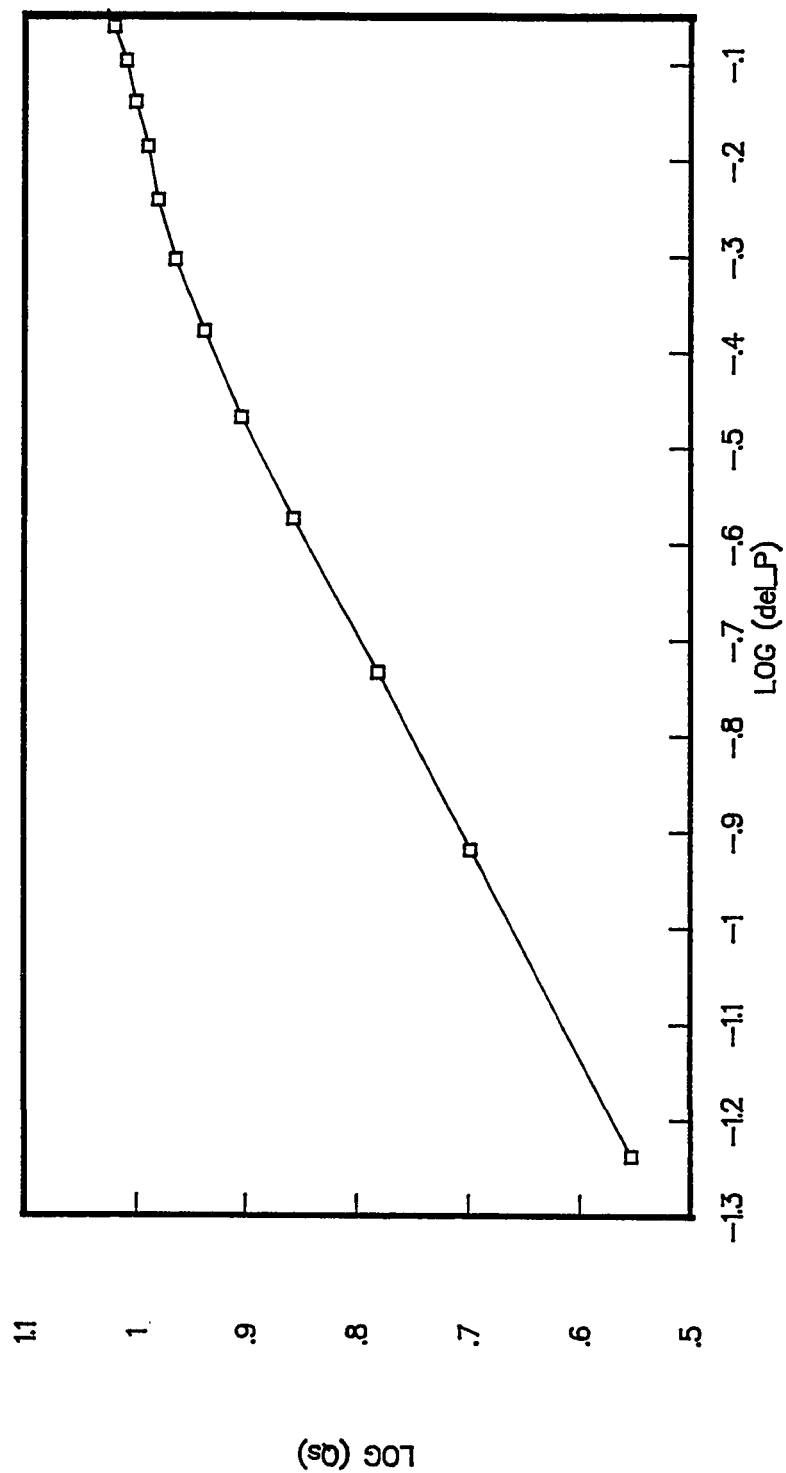


FIGURE 22. CALIBRATION FOR NATURAL GAS LINE

AIR FLOW RATE vs  $\Delta L_P$  USING  $D_o = 0.128''$



### 8.3 Data Acquisition System

All formulas discussed previously were entered into the Measure data acquisition module and the 1-2-3 spreadsheet to convert actual flow rates and temperatures using the produced voltages from the instruments (DPTs, thermocouples). In order to do that, the hardware must be connected properly. Two Lab-PC boards (Lab-PC I for temperature measurement, Lab-PC II for flow measurement) and one RS-232 board for the emission analyzer were installed in three of the 8-bit expansion slots in the computer with proper configuration settings. The Lab-PC boards were configured by the Data Acquisition Module hardware default values in the Data Acquisition Module Reference. Board number 0 was selected for the Lab-PC I and 2 for the Lab-PC II.

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|           | Board No | I/O Address | DMA | Interrupt Level |
|-----------|----------|-------------|-----|-----------------|
| Lab-PC I  | 0        | 0260H       | 3   | 5               |
| Lab-PC II | 2        | 02A0H       | 3   | 7               |

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Following the Lab-PC user's manual, the setting for the Lab-PC II was only performed since the configuration setting at the factory was the same as the one for Lab-PC I. All accessories described in section 6.3 were connected to the

Lab-PC boards. The serial port of the RS-232 board was labeled at "com1", and then the board was connected to the one in the analyzer through the D-type modem cable.

The Measure software was added to the 1-2-3 spreadsheet to be used with the Lab-Pc boards. To set up the data acquisition experiment in Measure, the board numbers and the input channels to be used were identified as follows:

Table 11. Identification of the Board No. and the Channel No. in the Lab-PC Boards

| TEMPERATURE MEASUREMENT (LAB-PCI) |            |          | FLOW MEASUREMENT (LAB-PCII) |            |          |
|-----------------------------------|------------|----------|-----------------------------|------------|----------|
| TC_MODULE                         | CHANNEL_No | BOARD_No | DPT                         | CHANNEL_No | BOARD_No |
| TYPE J                            | 0          | 0        | GAS                         | 0          | 1        |
| TYPE R                            | 1          | 0        | ATM_AIR                     | 1          | 1        |
| TYPE K                            | 2          | 0        |                             |            |          |
| TYPE K                            | 3          | 0        |                             |            |          |
| TYPE K                            | 4          | 0        |                             |            |          |
| TYPE K                            | 5          | 0        |                             |            |          |

Procedures for setting up the module and acquiring the data are followed by the Data Acquisition Module Reference.

ENERCOMP software package was used with the RS-232 board. The ENERCOMP consists of two programs; the first program (C2000) converts the computer into the monitor and data storage device, and the second program (EES\_123) converts the combustion analysis data stored into the proper format for use with the 1-2-3 spreadsheet. This makes the data analyzed be combined with other data (flow rates and temperatures) and displayed in a form. The software was installed by following the ENERCOMP Instruction Manual [23]. The instruction manual for operation of the data acquisition system is included in the operational manual in Appendix E.

Tables 12 and 13 show data for a flow and temperature measurement experiment and for an analysis using the emission analyzer. The experiment was performed at room temperature with no any air flow through the two lines (gas and atomizing air line). Two TC modules, type J at channel 0 and type K at channel 2 in the Lab-PC I, were connected to the thermocouple wires. Two DPTs were connected to channel 0 and 1 in the Lab-PC II. One hundred samples for each measurement were collected at a rate of 10 samples/second. The average of them was converted into the actual data by the formula. The temperature from channel 0 (type J) was the same one measured by the thermometer. The temperature from channel 2 (type K) was lower than the actual temperature because of the gain factor. Temperatures from channel 1, 3,

4, and 5 were maximum temperatures of the type R (1750°C) and K (1350°C) since the TC modules (without thermocouple wires) produced maximum voltages by the power supply. Since the formula from the flow calibration was not linear, the data do not give zero flow rate when no gas is flowing.

Table 12. Test Results of Flow and Temperature  
Measurement Using Data Acquisition

| Lab-PC I |         |         |         |         |         |
|----------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| Chanl 0  | Chanl 1 | Chanl 2 | Chanl 3 | Chanl 4 | Chanl 5 |
| TYPE J   | TYPE R  | TYPE K  | TYPE K  | TYPE K  | TYPE K  |
| 1.407    | 18.499  | 1.039   | 54.111  | 54.111  | 54.111  |
| 1.407    | 18.499  | 1.067   | 54.111  | 54.111  | 54.111  |
| 1.383    | 18.499  | 1.067   | 54.111  | 54.111  | 54.111  |
| 1.383    | 18.499  | 1.039   | 54.111  | 54.111  | 54.111  |
| 1.383    | 18.499  | 1.067   | 54.111  | 54.111  | 54.111  |
| 1.383    | 18.499  | 1.067   | 54.111  | 54.111  | 54.111  |
| 1.407    | 18.499  | 1.067   | 54.111  | 54.111  | 54.111  |
| 1.407    | 18.499  | 1.039   | 54.111  | 54.111  | 54.111  |
| 1.383    | 18.499  | 1.067   | 54.111  | 54.111  | 54.111  |
| 1.407    | 18.499  | 1.039   | 54.111  | 54.111  | 54.111  |
| 1.383    | 18.499  | 1.039   | 54.111  | 54.111  | 54.111  |
| 1.383    | 18.499  | 1.067   | 54.111  | 54.111  | 54.111  |
| 1.383    | 18.499  | 1.039   | 54.111  | 54.111  | 54.111  |
| 1.383    | 18.499  | 1.067   | 54.111  | 54.111  | 54.111  |
| 1.383    | 18.499  | 1.067   | 54.111  | 54.111  | 54.111  |
| 1.383    | 18.499  | 1.067   | 54.111  | 54.111  | 54.111  |
| 1.407    | 18.499  | 1.039   | 54.111  | 54.111  | 54.111  |
| 1.407    | 18.499  | 1.067   | 54.111  | 54.111  | 54.111  |
| 1.383    | 18.499  | 1.067   | 54.111  | 54.111  | 54.111  |
| 1.407    | 18.499  | 1.039   | 54.111  | 54.111  | 54.111  |
| 1.407    | 18.499  | 1.067   | 54.111  | 54.111  | 54.111  |
| 1.383    | 18.499  | 1.039   | 54.111  | 54.111  | 54.111  |
| 1.383    | 18.499  | 1.067   | 54.111  | 54.111  | 54.111  |
| 1.407    | 18.499  | 1.067   | 54.111  | 54.111  | 54.111  |
| 1.383    | 18.499  | 1.039   | 54.111  | 54.111  | 54.111  |
| 1.383    | 18.499  | 1.067   | 54.111  | 54.111  | 54.111  |
| 1.383    | 18.499  | 1.039   | 54.111  | 54.111  | 54.111  |
| 1.383    | 18.499  | 1.039   | 54.111  | 54.111  | 54.111  |
| 1.407    | 18.499  | 1.067   | 54.111  | 54.111  | 54.111  |
| 1.407    | 18.499  | 1.039   | 54.111  | 54.111  | 54.111  |
| 1.407    | 18.499  | 1.067   | 54.111  | 54.111  | 54.111  |
| 1.383    | 18.499  | 1.067   | 54.111  | 54.111  | 54.111  |
| 1.407    | 18.499  | 1.067   | 54.111  | 54.111  | 54.111  |



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$$\frac{mV}{V}$$

| GAS_DP | ATM_DP |
|--------|--------|
| 0.879  | 0.877  |
| 0.879  | 0.877  |
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|                            |       |       |
|----------------------------|-------|-------|
| VOLTAGE (V)                | 0.879 | 0.877 |
| FLOW (FT <sup>3</sup> /HR) | 0.032 | 0.003 |

Table 13. Data from Experiment using the Emission Analyzer

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**DATA ANALYSIS BY THE EMISSION ANALYZER**
ENERAC  TIME:  13:46:23  DATE:  09/18/90*
* STACK TEMPERATURE:      34  ?C  *TEMP      (DEG C)
* AMBIENT TEMPERATURE:    28  ?C  *****
* CARBON MONOXIDE:        0 PPM  *OIL   :    27.216
* OXYGEN:                 19.4  %  *FLAME:   1749.537
* COMBUSTIBLE GASES:      0.00  %  *TEMP1:    25.812
* CARBON DIOXIDE:        00.9  %  *TEMP2:   1349.508
* EXCESS AIR:            OVER  %  *TEMP3:   1349.508
* COMBUSTION EFFICIENCY:  87.8  %  *TEMP4:   1349.508
* OXIDES of NITROGEN:     0 PPM  *
* SULFUR DIOXIDE:        0 PPM  *
                                *FLOW (FT3/HR)
                                *****
                                *ATM AIR:    0.032
                                *N_GAS   :    0.003
                                *
                                *
                                *OIL_FLOW (CM3/MIN)
                                *****
                                *RPM      :  200.000
                                *RATE     :    3.200

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#### 8.4 Test of the Flame Safeguard Control System

This system was tested partially first, using the pressure, temperature switch, or the push button as an input device and the solenoid valve as an output device with the PLC.

For the natural gas line, the acceptable low and high pressure limits (4 and 15 in H<sub>2</sub>O) were set in the gas pressure switch. Four electrical wires from the pressure switch were connected to the power supply and the PLC. Two were for the hot line and common line of the power, and two for the input terminal block and the common line of the PLC. Two wires from the pilot gas shutoff valve (normally-closed) were connected to the PLC and the power, one for the output terminal block of the PLC and the other for the common of the power. The hot line of the power was connect to the PLC. Simple instructions were programmed into the PLC; for example, the pilot gas shutoff valve was to be energized when the pressure was within the acceptable limits. Regulated air was run through the gas line, and the RUN mode on the PLC was pushed. When the pressure was 6 in H<sub>2</sub>O, the pilot gas shutoff valve was automatically energized and opened. The valve auto-matically closed (de-energized) when the pressure was 17 in H<sub>2</sub>O.

For the oil line, temperature limits were set at

20 and 30°C in the low and high temperature switches, respectively. The electrical wiring for the single switch (temperature switch) is different from the dual switch (pressure switch). For the single switch, one lead is connected to the hot of the power and the other is connected to the input terminal block of the PLC. The common line of the power is connected to the common of the PLC. A recycling shutoff valve (normally-open) and a main oil shutoff valve (normally-closed) were wired to the PLC as output devices. A simple program instructs that the two shutoff valves are to be energized when the measured temperature is within the two set points. Water at 18°C was pumped from the container in the tank, and the RUN mode on the PLC was pushed. The water was automatically recycled until the temperature of the water was 20°C. When the temperature was 20°C, the recycling valve closed and the main oil valve opened, thus completing a successful test at high temperature. In order to test the system at low temperature, some ice was poured into the container. When the line temperature dropped below 19°C, the recycling and the main oil solenoid valves were de-energized, which returned the unpowered condition.

In order to test the air fan, a timer function of the PLC was used. A Purge Start push button was wired to the input terminal of the PLC like the single switch, and the air fan was wired to the output terminal like the shutoff valve. The

program selected allowed for the air fan to be on 90 seconds after pushing the start button. When tested, the air fan remained on for exactly 90 seconds. After these verifications that parts of the automatic system work properly, the electrical wiring diagrams (Figure 22, Figure 23) was established.



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## CHAPTER 9. DISCUSSION AND CONCLUSIONS

The data acquisition system was designed, constructed, and tested for the flow and temperature measurement and gas monitoring. The system was operated semi-automatically with the PLC. The process was manually monitored step by step using the push button; however, all flows were controlled automatically by the limit switches and the interlocks, following the program in the PLC. Tests showed that the safety system and the data acquisition system were operable. Temperature and flow calibration were correct. Thus, one stated objective of this work, the design and construction of required safety and measurement systems for the incinerator, has been successfully achieved.

The second objective, that of completing a preliminary design, has been met. Enough supporting calculation have been presented to enable future workers to easily understand and modify the proposed design.

The next step will be the installation of the burner and burner block. The burner unit will be flanged to the front of the existing combustion chamber. Tubing lines (oil, atomizing air, and natural gas) from the instrumentation cabinet will be connected to the burner block. Last, the duct fan, encased in the windbox, will be installed at the

rear of the burner block. Supports and stack have already been fitted to the chamber, so the installation can proceed immediately in the selected courtyard.

The tests planned for initial operation are as follows:

- <1> run the system for simulation
- <2> combust methane gas
- <3> check temperatures, flow rates, and stack gas concentrations against predictions to verify unit operation
- <4> repeat test with kerosene.

After testing has been completed, the incinerator will be available for use as a laboratory in chemical engineering courses. The following experiments are planned. It is expected that these will be tested and modified, then written up into a formal experimental procedure, by undergraduates in these classes. Planned experiments in ChE 177 are

- <1> adjust fuel/air ratio to find the influence on the gas stack concentrations
- <2> vary atomizing air pressure to effect on combustion efficiency
- <3> use a tracer compound (eg, SF<sub>6</sub>) to check the performance of the incinerator.

In summary, a feasible design for a laboratory scale incinerator has been developed. The design features

computerized data acquisition and automated safety control, both of which systems have been constructed and tested. The laboratory function of the incinerator has been clearly described and recommendations for its use have been made.

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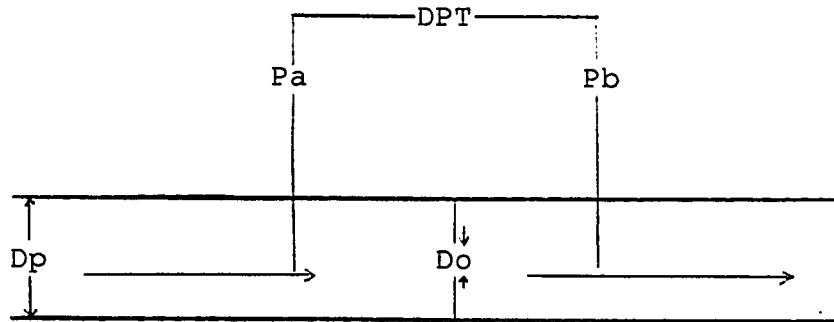
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# Appendix A. Calculation To Estimate Orifice Diameter (Do)



The pressure drop ( $P = Pa - Pb$ ) is calculated by an equation for the flow of compressible fluids through orifice [17].

$$\text{del\_P} = \frac{M}{Co \ Y \ So} \times \frac{M}{Co \ Y \ So} \times \frac{(1 - b^4)}{2 \ gc \ d} \quad (\text{Eq A})$$

$M(\text{lb/sec})$ : Mass flow rate of atomizing air

$Co$  : Orifice coefficient

$Y$  : Expansion factor

$gc$  : Newton's-law conversion factor

(32.174 lb Ft/lbf sec<sup>2</sup>)

$d$  : Density of air at 80 F (0.0752 lb/ft<sup>3</sup>)

$Dp(\text{inch})$  : Inside diameter of pipe (0.622 in)

$Do(\text{inch})$  : Orifice diameter

b (Do/Dp): Ratio of Do and Dp

So(ft<sup>2</sup>) : Surface area of orifice

del\_P(psi): Pressure drop (Pa - Pb)

From the Eq A,

$$So = \frac{M \sqrt{(1 - b)^4}}{Co Y \sqrt{2 gc d del\_P}} \quad (Eq B)$$

$$So = \frac{Dp^2 So}{Dp^2} = \frac{Dp^2 (pi Do)^2}{Dp^2} = \frac{pi (Dpb)^2}{4} \quad (Eq C)$$

From the Eq B and Eq C,

$$Do^2 = \frac{4 M \sqrt{1 - b^4}}{Co Y pi \sqrt{2 gc d del\_P}}$$

Recommended values for Co and Y are 0.75 and 1.0, respectively, according to industrial source.

## Appendix B. Correction Factor for the TC Module Gain and Polynomials

This section describes how thermocouple signals are linearized when using the thermocouple (TC) signal conditioning module (input module). TCs generate low voltage signals that represent temperature in a non-linear fashion. Before the actual temperature of the TC can be determined, the signal from the thermocouple must first be amplified and corrections made for its non-linear nature. The thermocouple input module amplifies the voltage appearing at the TC input terminals of the modules, usually in the mV range. The output of this amplifier is a voltage from 0V to 5V depending upon the temperature of the TC junction (for example,  $-100^{\circ}\text{C}$  -  $+1350^{\circ}\text{C}$  for K-type TC). The range is calibrated by Analog Devices, the manufacturer of the modules used in this system. The way that the output varies from 0V to 5V does not, however, correspond to the temperature of the TC junction in a linear fashion. This is a physical characteristic of TC's. This non-linear nature can be corrected for by application of a polynomial correction factor prepared by the National Institute of Standards and Technology [21], found in references such as the Omega Handbook. From the handbook one can look up values for TC modules at the temperatures specified by our module.

This leads to the following table of values:

TABLE 14. TEMPERATURES VS VOLTAGES FROM TC

| TC TYPE | TEMP   | VOLTAGES FROM TC | VOLTAGE OF TC MODULE |
|---------|--------|------------------|----------------------|
| K       | -100C  | -3.553 mV        | 0V                   |
|         | +1350C | 54.125 mV        | 5V                   |
| J       | -100C  | -4.632 mV        | 0V                   |
|         | +760C  | 42.922 mV        | 5V                   |
| R       | 0C     | 0.0 mV           | 0V                   |
|         | +1750C | 20.878 mV        | 5V                   |

To compute the gain of the TC module from this data is a simple task of applying a linear equation, as the TC module can be thought of as a linear amplifier of TC voltage.

For example, for the K-type of TC module,

$$V_{TC} = -3.553 \text{ mV} + \frac{(54.125 - (-3.553)) \text{ mV}}{(5 - 0) \text{ V}} \times V(\text{K-type module})$$

This equation will yield the actual voltage of the TC junction, which is the data that is sought for the NBS polynomial fit equation. At this point we can apply the NBS coefficients. Table 15 lists the NBS polynomial coefficients [21] for several commonly used thermocouples.

Upon examination of a table of these numbers we see that they are valid for only a certain range of temperature ( $0^{\circ}\text{C}$  —  $1370^{\circ}\text{C}$  for K-type TC). This limits this technique to values above  $0^{\circ}\text{C}$ . The polynomial is programmed in a nested format;

$$T = a_0 + Vx(a_1 + Vx(a_2 + Vx(a_3 + Vxa_4)))$$

such that no powers are computed, and execution proceeds much faster. The results of these equations will be the actual junction temperature of the thermocouple, the quantity that we sought to measure in the first place.

Table 15. NBS Polynomial Coefficients

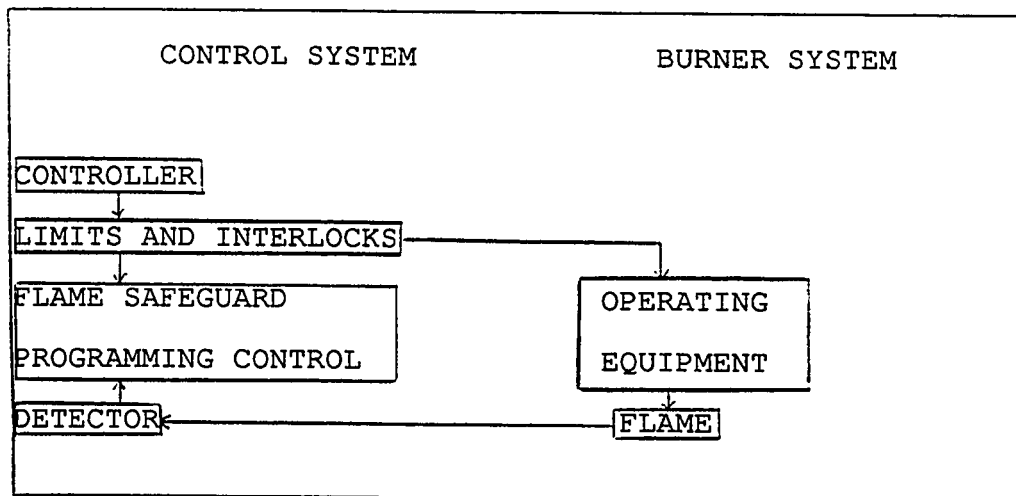
| Type   | E   | J                                       | K  | R  | S                                      | T  |
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| Temp Range   | -100° C to 1000° C<br>± 0.5° C <sup>1</sup> | 0° C to 760° C<br>± 0.1° C <sup>1</sup> | 0° C to 1370° C<br>± 0.7° C <sup>1</sup> | 0° C to 1000° C<br>± 0.5° C <sup>1</sup> | 0° C to 1750° C<br>± 1° C <sup>1</sup> | -160° C to 400° C<br>± 0.5° C <sup>1</sup> |
| a <sub>0</sub>   | 0.104967248                                 | -0.048868252                            | 0.226584602                              | 0.263632917                              | 0.927763167                            | 0.100860910                                |
| a <sub>1</sub>   | 17189.45282                                 | 19873.14503                             | 24152.10900                              | 179075.491                               | 169526.5150                            | 25727.94369                                |
| a <sub>2</sub>   | -282639.0850                                | -218614.5353                            | 67233.4248                               | -48840341.37                             | -31568363.94                           | -767345.8295                               |
| a <sub>3</sub>   | 2695539.5                                   | 11569199.78                             | 2210340.682                              | 1.90002E + 10                            | 8990730663                             | 78025595.81                                |
| a <sub>4</sub>   | -48703084.6                                 | -264917531.4                            | -860963914.9                             | -4.82704E + 12                           | -1.63565E + 12                         | -9247486589                                |
| a <sub>5</sub>   | 1.10866E + 10                               | 2018441314                              | 4.83506E + 10                            | 7.62091E + 14                            | 1.88027E + 14                          | 6.97688E + 11                              |
| a <sub>6</sub>   | -1.76807E + 11                              |   | -1.18452E + 12                           | -7.20026E + 16                           | -1.37241E + 16                         | -2.66192E + 13                             |
| a <sub>7</sub>   | 1.71842E + 12                               |   | 1.38690E + 13                            | 3.71496E + 18                            | 6.17501E + 17                          | 3.94078E + 14                              |
| a <sub>8</sub>   | -0.19278E + 12                              |   | -6.33708E + 13                           | -8.03104E + 19                           | -1.56105E + 19                         |  |
| a <sub>9</sub>   | 7.06132E + 13                               |   |  |  | 1.69535E + 20                          |  |
| <sup>1</sup> The accuracies shown apply only to the polynomial and do not take into consideration errors introduced by the IC-2070, the SC-2071, the AMUX-64T, the MIO-16, or the thermocouple itself. |   |   |  |  |  |  |

Source: NBS Monograph 125, Thermocouple Reference Tables (National Bureau of Standards, Washington D.C. 1979)

Note: For the formulas in Table 15, the voltages are in volts.

## Appendix C. Theory of Programmable Control Operation

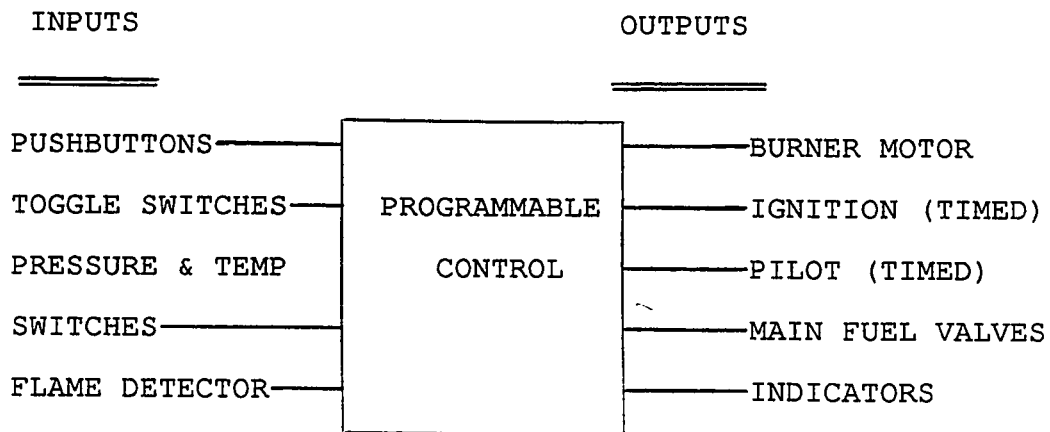
The flame safeguard system is a set of control equipment used to provide safe control of burner operation. This includes flame sensing device used to detect the flame, operating and safety devices used to start and stop the burner, valves to control fuel flow, sequencing relays, and auxiliary controls used in conjunction with the burner safety control systems. Primary functions performed by the flame safeguard system are to provide a safe means of starting and stopping the burner, either manually or automatically, to start the burner in the proper sequence, and to supervise the burner flame during operation. The programmable control, with its associated flame detector, is the heart of the control system. A generalized flame safeguard control system is shown in the following figure.



From the figure, it is apparent that the programmable control starts the burner system on a signal from the controller, and permits operation to continue under control of two feedback loops. The flame detector monitors flame conditions and signals the burner to stop if the flame is lost, or if a failure occurs in the detection system. The limits and interlocks, including fuel pressure switches and temperature switches, monitor conditions other than the presence of flame, shutting down the system if conditions exceed limit or interlock settings. In addition to the primary functions performed by the flame safeguard system, the programmable control provides timed sequencing of the burner functions as well as control of additional functions, such as prepurge, postpurge, timed trial for ignition, and firing rate selection. In summary, the programmable control



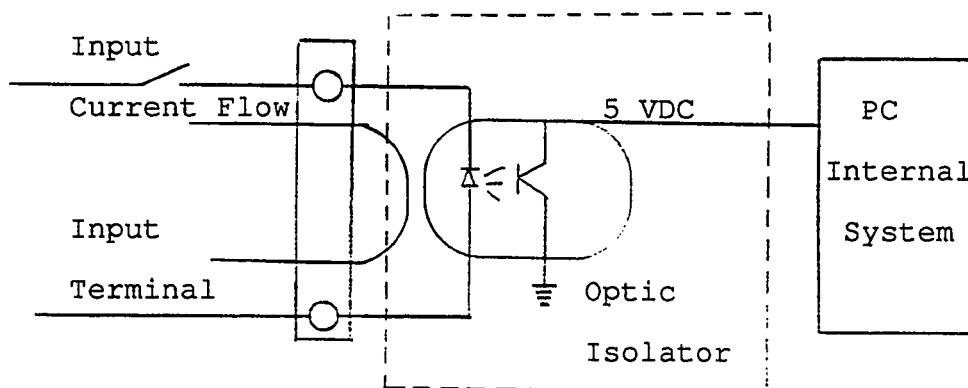
translates inputs from the flame detector, limits, and interlocks into sequenced control of the burner motor, ignition, pilot, and mainfuel valves. The ignition, pilot, and main fuel valves are timed by the programmable control. The following figure describes the functions of programmable control [24].



PROGRAMMABLE CONTROL INPUTS/OUTPUTS

That is, the programmable control will not energize the ignition transformer and pilot valve until the prepurge period is over, and it will not energize main fuel valves (solenoid valves) until pilot has been proven.

We chose a programmable logic controller (PLC) unit manufactured by G.E.Fanuc. The unit consists of 16 point input, 12 points output, and hand-held programmer.



INPUT CIRCUIT IN PLC

The input device either allows current flow to the PLC, or interrupts current flow to the PLC in order to advise the controller of an existing condition. Within the PLC, input and output voltages are isolated from the PLC by optical isolators. The illustration above shows an input circuit. The optic isolator consists of light emitting diode (LED) and photosensitive transistor. When the input is closed, current flows through the LED, causing it to light. When this occurs, the photosensitive transistor turns on, causing a +5 Vdc signal to be routed to the internal PLC system. This signal represents an ON condition for the input device.

Every set of input field terminals has its own input circuit, providing electrical isolation between the input circuits and the PLC. The central processor unit (CPU) of the PLC uses the field terminal number as a reference number for each position in the input status table. The CPU coordinates, sequences, utilizes, and controls all other parts of the PLC. The current status of all inputs is stored in a table in the PLC in the form of an ON or an OFF. All inputs are represented by either a 1 or a 0 in the input table. Once the CPU has this information available in the input table, it can make use of the instructions we have programmed into memory. The CPU makes use of the input table and the program to decide what it should do to outputs. If the program instructs the CPU to energize an output for a given input condition, the CPU will perform this action through the use of the output table and output circuit, allowing the output device to be energized. Outputs are controlled with output circuits, which are almost identical to input circuits.

## Appendix D. Permit Procedures and Requirements

Information to get a permit for operating the incinerator had been obtained from the Health and Safety Department in the school. Bay Area Air Quality Management District in San Francisco sent the application forms to be completed by the owner of the system. Dr. Sonia Kreidenweis filled the forms out, and then returned it with a process flow diagram and a description of the system to them. One month later, a temporary permit by exemption was issued for operating the system.

The forms sent to them and the permit are shown in this section. For this application, the flame temperature and emission concentrations for our system are estimated as follows:

\* Estimation of adiabatic flame temperature and equilibrium mole fractions of  $\text{CO}_2$ ,  $\text{CO}$ ,  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ,  $\text{H}_2$ ,  $\text{O}_2$ ,  $\text{N}_2$ ,  $\text{NO}$ ,  $\text{O}$ ,  $\text{H}$ , and  $\text{OH}$  when kerosene (87% C, 13% H) is burned at atmospheric pressure in stoichiometric air.

Known values: Gravity of kerosene: 0.8

Higher heating value (dhch): 19929 Btu/lb  
(46.352 KJ/g)

Initial fuel and air temp ( $T_a = T_f = T_0$ ): 298 K

Latent heat of vaporization of water at 298 K

(dhv): 44000 J/mol

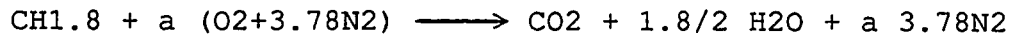
<1> The fuel (kerosene) composition is:

| Element | Wt%        | Normalize with respect to C |
|---------|------------|-----------------------------|
| C       | 87/12=7.25 | 7.25/7.25=1.0               |
| H       | 13/1=13.0  | 13.0/7.25=1.793             |

Effective Composition: CH<sub>1.793</sub>

Formula Weight: M<sub>f</sub> = 12 + 1.793 = 13.79

<2> To find the enthalpy of formation, consider the combustion reaction.



$$\text{For O, } 2a = 2 + 0.9 = 2.9 \quad a = 1.448$$

Thus,



<3> Enthalpy of formation of kerosene (dh<sub>f</sub>) may be determined using the lower heating value (dh<sub>cl</sub>) and the enthalpy of formation data.

$$\text{dh}_{f,\text{CH}_{1.8}} (T_0) = \text{dh}_{f,\text{CO}_2} + 0.9 \text{dh}_{f,\text{H}_2\text{O}} - 1.448 \text{dh}_{f,\text{O}_2} - \text{dh}_{cl}$$

Since the higher heating value includes the latent heat of condensation of water vapor, the lower heating value is given by; LHV = HHV - VAP

$$-dh_{cl}(T_0) = -dh_{ch}(T_0) - dh_v$$

$$dh_{cl}(T_0) = dh_{ch}(T_0) + dh_v$$

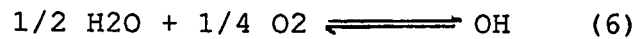
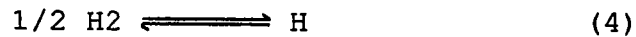
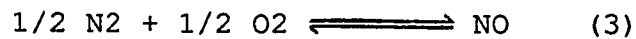
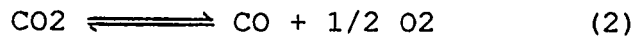
$$dh_{ch}(T_0) = M_f dh_{ch} = 13.8 \times (-46352 \text{ J/g}) = -639650 \text{ J/mol}$$

$$dh_{cl}(T_0) = -639650 + 0.896 \times 44000 = -600050 \text{ J/mol C}$$

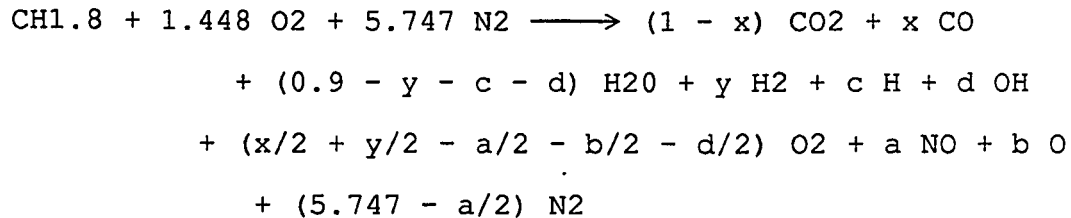
$$\text{Also } dh_{f,CO_2} = -394088, \quad dh_{f,H_2O} = -242174, \quad dh_{f,O_2} = 0.0$$

$$\text{Thus, } dh_{f,CH_{1.8}}(T_0) = -394088 + 0.9 \times (-242174) - 1.448 \times (0) - (-602335) = -11995 \text{ J/mol}$$

<4> Equilibrium relations are:



<5> The equilibrium composition for stoichiometric combustion is determined. The overall process is



For this system, the first law of thermodynamics becomes

$$\begin{aligned} (1 - x) [h(T) - h(T_0) + dh_f(T_0)] CO_2 + x [h(T) - h(T_0) + dh_f(T_0)] CO + \\ (0.9 - y - c - d) [h(T) - h(T_0) + dh_f(T_0)] H_2O + y [h(T) - h(T_0) + \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& dhf(T_0)]H_2 + c[h(T)-h(T_0)+dhf(T_0)]H \\
& + d[h(T)-h(T_0)+dhf(T_0)]OH + (x/2 + y/2 - a/2 - b/2 - d/2) \\
& [h(T)-h(T_0)+dhf(T_0)]O_2 + a[h(T)-h(T_0)+dhf(T_0)]NO \\
& + b[h(T)-h(T_0)+dhf(T_0)]O + (5.474 - a/2)[h(T)-h(T_0)+ \\
& dhf(T_0)]N_2 + [h(T_f)-h(T_0)+dhf(T_0)]CH_{1.8} - 1.448[h(T_a)-h(T_0)+ \\
& dhf(T_0)]O_2 - 5.474[h(T_a)-h(T_0)+dhf(T_0)]N_2 \\
& = Q - W_s = 0
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& [h(T)-h(T_0)]CO_2 + 0.9[h(T)-h(T_0)]H_2O + 5.474[h(T)-h(T_0)]N_2 + \\
& dhf,CO_2(T_0) + 0.9dhf,H_2O(T_0) - dhf,CH_{1.8}(T_0) - \\
& 1.448dhf,O_2(T_0) - 5.474dhf,N_2(T_0) \\
& + x\{ [h(T)-h(T_0)]CO + 1/2[h(T)-h(T_0)]O_2 - [h(T)-h(T_0)]CO_2 \\
& + dhf,CO(T_0) + 1/2dhf,O_2(T_0) - dhf,CO_2(T_0) \} \\
& + y\{ [h(T)-h(T_0)]H_2 + 1/2[h(T)-h(T_0)]O_2 - [h(T)-h(T_0)]H_2O \\
& + dhf,H_2(T_0) + 1/2dhf,O_2(T_0) - dhf,H_2O(T_0) \} \\
& + a\{ [h(T)-h(T_0)]NO - 1/2[h(T)-h(T_0)]O_2 - 1/2[h(T)-h(T_0)]N_2 \\
& + dhf,NO(T_0) - 1/2dhf,O_2(T_0) - 1/2dhf,N_2(T_0) \} \\
& + b\{ [h(T)-h(T_0)]O - 1/2[h(T)-h(T_0)]O_2 + dhf,O(T_0) - \\
& 1/2dhf,O_2(T_0) \} \\
& + c\{ [h(T)-h(T_0)]H - [h(T)-h(T_0)]H_2O + dhf,H(T_0) \\
& - dhf,H_2O(T_0) \} \\
& + d\{ [h(T)-h(T_0)]OH - [h(T)-h(T_0)]H_2O - 1/2[h(T)-h(T_0)]O_2 \\
& + dhf,OH(T_0) - dhf,H_2O(T_0) - 1/2dhf,O_2(T_0) \} \\
& = 0
\end{aligned}$$

Note: The fuel and air temperature are initially  $T_f = T_a = T_0 = 298\text{K}$ . Also,

$$h_i(T) - h_i(T_0) = \int_{T_0}^T C_{p,i}(T') dT' = a_i(T - T_0) + b_i/2(T^2 - T_0^2)$$

Using the thermodynamic data,

| Species          | $a_i$<br>(J/molK) | $b_i$<br>(J/molK) | $dh_{f,i}(T_0)$<br>(J/mol) | $dS_{f,i}(T_0)$<br>(J/molK) |
|------------------|-------------------|-------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| CO <sub>2</sub>  | 44.319            | 0.00730           | -394088                    | 213.984                     |
| H <sub>2</sub> O | 32.477            | 0.00862           | -242174                    | 188.995                     |
| O <sub>2</sub>   | 30.5041           | 0.00349           | 0                          | 205.310                     |
| N <sub>2</sub>   | 29.231            | 0.00307           | 0                          | 191.777                     |
| CO               | 29.6127           | 0.00301           | -110700                    | 197.810                     |
| NO               | 30.5843           | 0.00278           | 90471                      | 210.954                     |
| H <sub>2</sub>   | 27.3198           | 0.00335           | 0                          | 130.770                     |
| H                | 20.7859           | 0.0               | 218300                     | 114.773                     |
| OH               | 28.0743           | 0.00309           | 39520                      | 183.858                     |
| O                | 21.2424           | -0.0002           | 249553                     | 161.181                     |

$$\begin{aligned}
 & (a_{\text{CO}_2} + 0.9a_{\text{H}_2\text{O}} + 5.48a_{\text{N}_2})(T - T_0) + 1/2(b_{\text{CO}_2} + 0.9b_{\text{H}_2\text{O}} + 5.48b_{\text{N}_2})(T^2 - T_0^2) + dh_{\text{cl}}(T_0) \\
 & + x [(a_{\text{CO}} + 0.5a_{\text{O}_2} - a_{\text{CO}_2})(T - T_0) + 1/2(b_{\text{CO}} + 0.5b_{\text{O}_2} - b_{\text{CO}_2})(T^2 - T_0^2) + dh_{f,\text{CO}_2}(T_0) + 0.5dh_{f,\text{O}_2}(T_0) - dh_{f,\text{CO}}(T_0)] \\
 & + y [(a_{\text{H}_2} + 0.5a_{\text{O}_2} - a_{\text{H}_2\text{O}})(T - T_0) + 1/2(b_{\text{H}_2} + 0.5b_{\text{O}_2} - b_{\text{H}_2\text{O}})(T^2 - T_0^2) + dh_{f,\text{H}_2}(T_0) + 0.5dh_{f,\text{O}_2}(T_0) - dh_{f,\text{H}_2\text{O}}(T_0)]
 \end{aligned}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
& + a [(a_{NO}-0.5a_{O2}-0.5a_{N2})(T-T_0) + 1/2(b_{NO}-0.5b_{O2}-0.5b_{N2})(T^2-T_0^2) + dhf,NO(T_0) - 0.5dhf,O_2(T_0) - 0.5dhf,N_2(T_0)] \\
& + b [(a_O-0.5a_{O2})(T-T_0) + 1/2(b_O-0.5b_{O2})(T^2-T_0^2) + dhf,O(T_0) - 0.5dhf,O_2(T_0)] \\
& + c [(a_H-a_{H2O})(T-T_0) + 1/2(b_H-b_{H2O})(T^2-T_0^2) + dhf,H(T_0) - dhf,H_2(T_0)] \\
& + d [(a_{OH}-a_{H2O}-0.5a_{O2})(T-T_0) + 1/2(b_{OH}-b_{H2O}-0.5b_{O2})(T^2-T_0^2) + dhf,OH(T_0) - dhf,H_2O(T_0) - 0.5dhf,O_2(T_0)] \\
& = (0.01591 - 0.00127x - 0.00176y - 0.000251a - 0.000837b - 0.000985c - 0.001048d)T^2 \\
& + (233.8775 + 0.54565x + 10.09525y + 0.7166a + 7.126b + 5.990c + 4.210d)T \\
& - 670371 + 283338x + 239321y + 90229a + 216231b + 247853c + 159446d \\
& = 0 \quad \text{-----} \quad (A)
\end{aligned}$$

For complete combustion,  $x = y = a = b = c = d = 0$ , and  $T = 2456$  K. Incomplete combustion due to equilibrium will lower  $T$ . Since we expect that  $CO_2$ ,  $CO$ ,  $H_2O$ ,  $H_2$ ,  $O_2$ , and  $N_2$  are main species, first neglect the amount of species (H, OH, NO, and O) which means  $a = b = c = d = 0$ . In order for  $x$  and  $y$  to be calculated, apply Van't Hoff's relationship and equilibrium conditions for first and second reactions in part <4>.

$$K_{pi} = (y_i * P) = \exp\left[-\frac{v_i x u_i(T)}{RT}\right] \quad (B)$$

$$K_{p1} = [x / (1-x)] * [(0.9-y) / y] \quad (C)$$

$$K_{p2} = [y / (0.9-y)] * [(x+y) / (14.74+x+y)]^{1/2} \quad (D)$$

$$\begin{aligned} u_i(T) &= h_i - T * S_i \\ &= C_{p,i} dT' + dh_{f,i}(T_0) - T [S_i(T_0) + C_{p,i}/T' dT'] \\ &= a_i [T - T_0 - T \ln(T/T_0)] - b_i/2 * (T-T_0)^2 + dh_{f,i}(T) \\ &\quad - T * S_i(T) \quad (E) \end{aligned}$$

Kp1 and Kp2 can be calculated at assumed T (2000 K) using equations (B) and (E).

$$K_{p1} = 21.6 \exp(-3234/T) \quad (F)$$

$$K_{p2} = 22151 \exp(-33597/T) \quad (G)$$

From equations (C), (D), (F), and (G), T, x, and y can be calculated. Let

$$f(x,y) = [x / (1-x)] * [(0.9-y) / y] - K_{p1} = 0$$

$$g(x,y) = [x / (1-x)] * [(x+y) / (14.74+x+y)]^{1/2} - K_{p2} = 0$$

Beginning with a guess  $x_g$ ,  $y_g$ , we need to iterate to find x and y that satisfy these conditions. This can be done using Newton's iteration. For this, we need the partial derivative of f and g, i.e.,

$$\begin{aligned}
df/dx = fx &= [(0.9-y) / y] * [1 / (1-x)^2] \\
df/dy = fy &= [x / (1-x)] * [0.9 / y^2] \\
dg/dy = gy &= 1/2 * [x / (1-x)] * [(14.74+x+y) / (x+y)]^{1/2} \\
&\quad * [14.74 / (14.74+x+y)^2] \\
dg/dx = gx &= [(x+y) / (14.74+x+y)]^{1/2} * [1 / (1-x)^2] + gy
\end{aligned}$$

Using the guesses  $(xg, yg)$ , an improved estimate can be determined by applying a Taylor series expansion,

$$0 = f(x, y) = f(xg, yg) + fx(xg, yg) * delx + fy(xg, yg) * dely$$

$$0 = g(x, y) = g(xg, yg) + gx(xg, yg) * delx + gy(xg, yg) * dely$$

Solving for the corrections,  $delx$  and  $dely$ , we find

$$delx = (f*gy - g*fy) / (gx*fy - fx*gy)$$

$$dely = (g*fy - f*gy) / (gx*fy - fx*gy)$$

For an initial guess, assume  $x = 0.1$  and  $y = 0.01$ .

Iterations on  $x$  and  $y$  yield

| Iterations | x      | y       |
|------------|--------|---------|
| Initial    | 0.1    | 0.01    |
| 1          | 0.1698 | 0.02205 |
| 2          | 0.1136 | 0.01697 |
| 3          | 0.1253 | 0.02037 |
| 4          | 0.1230 | 0.02106 |

Applying the first law of thermodynamics (Equation (A)), we find  $T = 2358$  K. Also,  $K_{p1} = 5.4805$  and  $K_{p2} = 0.0144$  using the equations (F) and (G). Iterating on the  $T$ ,  $x$ , and  $y$  yields

| T(K) | x      | y       |
|------|--------|---------|
| 2358 | 0.1230 | 0.02106 |
| 2329 | 0.1128 | 0.02066 |
| 2338 | 0.1167 | 0.02133 |
| 2334 | 0.1149 | 0.02103 |
| 2336 | 0.1158 | 0.02118 |
| 2335 | 0.1154 | 0.02110 |
| 2335 | 0.1154 | 0.02110 |

Given  $x = 0.1154$  and  $y = 0.02110$ ,  $a$ ,  $b$ ,  $c$ , and  $d$  are then computed with initially assuming  $a = b = c = d = 0$ . The computations are then computed with the revised temperature estimate and the new parameters. The results are

| T(K) | a       | b     | c       | d       | x      | y       |
|------|---------|-------|---------|---------|--------|---------|
| 2308 | 0.02116 | 0.004 | 0.00288 | 0.02305 | 0.1187 | 0.02148 |

From which we find, the equilibrium compositions for stoichiometric air

|                   | Without minor species | With minor species |
|-------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|
| T (K)             | 2335                  | 2308               |
| yCO <sub>2</sub>  | 0.118                 | 0.1176             |
| yCO               | 0.0155                | 0.0158             |
| yH <sub>2</sub> O | 0.118                 | 0.1132             |
| yH <sub>2</sub>   | 0.00284               | 0.00287            |
| yO <sub>2</sub>   | 0.00917               | 0.00619            |
| yN <sub>2</sub>   | 0.736                 | 0.7307             |
| yNO               |                       | 0.00284            |
| yO                |                       | 0.000388           |
| yH                |                       | 0.000537           |
| yOH               |                       | 0.00310            |

<6> Emissions in ft<sup>3</sup>/hr and lb/hr can be computed from the flue gas flowrate in section 5.2;

\* Actual flue gas at combustion conditions: 971.887 ft<sup>3</sup>/lb  
kerosene

\* Actual flue gas flowrate for incineration of 9 cm<sup>3</sup>/min of kerosene:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & (9 \text{ cm}^3/\text{min}) * (1 \text{ liter}/1000 \text{ cm}^3) * (7.4805 \text{ gal}/28.316 \text{ liter}) * \\
 & (7 \text{ lb}/\text{gal}) = 0.01664 \text{ lb kerosene}/\text{min} \\
 & (971.887 \text{ ft}^3/\text{lb kerosene}) * (0.01664 \text{ lb kerosene}/\text{min}) \\
 & = 16.1754 \text{ ft}^3 \text{ flue gas}/\text{min} \\
 & = 970.524 \text{ ft}^3 \text{ flue gas}/\text{hr}
 \end{aligned}$$

\* Emissions in lb/hr can be computed using the ideal gas law.

$$P*V = (m / M) * R * T$$

$$m(\text{lb/hr}) = (P*V*M) / (R*T)$$

where P = Operating pressure (1 atm)

V = Emissions in ft<sup>3</sup>/hr

M = Molecular weight

R = Gas constant

T = Operating temperature (2200 F)

\* Results for emissions in ft<sup>3</sup>/hr and lb/hr

|                  | ft <sup>3</sup> /hr | lb/hr   |
|------------------|---------------------|---------|
| CO <sub>2</sub>  | 114.134             | 2.585   |
| CO               | 15.334              | 0.221   |
| H <sub>2</sub> O | 109.863             | 1.018   |
| H <sub>2</sub>   | 2.785               | 0.00287 |
| O <sub>2</sub>   | 6.008               | 0.0990  |
| N <sub>2</sub>   | 709.162             | 10.223  |
| NO               | 2.756               | 0.0426  |
| O                | 0.377               | 0.0031  |
| H                | 0.521               | 0.00027 |
| OH               | 3.009               | 0.0263  |

Concentration of SO<sub>2</sub> can be computed as follows.

Since kerosene contain 0.1% by weight S (6), for 0.01664 lb/min (0.9984lb/hr) kerosene, 0.0009984 lb/hr of S will be out of the chamber. Thus feed contains

$$(0.0009984 \text{ lb S/hr}) * (1 \text{ mol S}/32 \text{ lb S}) = 0.0000312 \text{ mol S/hr}$$

Assume that 1 mol of S will be 1 mol of SO<sub>2</sub>.

Thus, the concentration of SO<sub>x</sub> is

$$(0.0000312 \text{ mol S/hr}) * (1 \text{ mol SO}_2/1 \text{ mol S}) * (64 \text{ lb/lbmol SO}_2) = 0.002 \text{ lb SO}_x/\text{hr}.$$

Empirical emission concentrations for the incineration of kerosene with excess air are suggested by the COEN company, such as 0.0043 lbNO<sub>x</sub>/hr, 0.29lbCO/hr, and 0.0016 lbSO<sub>x</sub>/hr.

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(If Unknown, Leave Blank)
- Equipment Name and Number, or Description Liquid-Injection Incinerator Laboratory
- Make, Model \_\_\_\_\_ Maximum Firing Rate 20,000 BTU/Hr
- Date of Modification or Initial Operation \_\_\_\_\_
- Primary Use (Check One): ☐ Electrical Generation ☐ Space Heat ☐ Waste Disposal ☐ Testing  
☐ Abatement Device ☐ Cogeneration ☐ Resource Recovery ☒ Other- instruc  
☐ Process Heat; Material Heated
- SIC Number \_\_\_\_\_  
(If Unknown, Leave Blank)

### 7. Equipment Type (Check One):

#### Internal Combustion

- ☐ Diesel Engine  
☐ Otto Cycle Engine  
☐ Gas Turbine  
☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

Displacement \_\_\_\_\_ cubic inches

\_\_\_\_\_ hp

#### Incinerator

- ☐ Salvage Operation  
☐ Liquid Waste  
☐ Pathological Waste  
☒ Other fuels

Temperature 2200 °F

Residence Time 1 Sec

#### Others

- ☐ Boiler  
☐ Afterburner  
☐ Flare  
☐ Open Burning  
☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

- ☐ Dryer  
☐ Oven  
☐ Furnace  
☐ Kiln

Material dried, baked, or heated

- ☐ Yes ☒ No Overfire Air? If Yes, what percent (%) \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Yes ☒ No Flue Gas Recirculation? If Yes, what percent (%) \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Yes ☒ No Air Preheat? Temperature \_\_\_\_\_ °F
- ☐ Yes ☒ No Low NOx Burners? Make, Model \_\_\_\_\_
- Maximum Flame Temperature 3500 °F

- Combustion Products: Wet Gas Flow Rate 16 acfm at 2200 °F  
Typical Oxygen Content \_\_\_\_\_ dry volume % or \_\_\_\_\_ wet volume %  
or \_\_\_\_\_ % excess air based on stoichiometric air

- Typical Use: Hours/Day .082 Days/Week \_\_\_\_\_ Weeks/Year \_\_\_\_\_ [based on 30 hours/year]
- Typical % of Annual Total: Dec-Feb \_\_\_\_\_ % Mar-May 50 % Jun-Aug \_\_\_\_\_ % Sep-Nov 50 %

- With regard to air pollutant flow, what source(s) or abatement device(s) are immediately upstream?

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- With regard to air pollutant flow, what source(s), abatement device(s), and/or emission points are immediately downstream?

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Date 7-27-90



# FUELS

INSTRUCTIONS: Complete one line in Section A for each fuel. Section B is OPTIONAL. Please use the units at the bottom of each table. N/A means "Not Applicable".

## SECTION A: Fuel Data

|    | Fuel Name | Fuel Code ** | Total Annual Usage ***           | Maximum Possible Fuel Use Rate | Typical Heat Content | Sulfur Content | Nitrogen Content (OPTIONAL) | Ash Content (OPTIONAL) |
|----|-----------|--------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------|----------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. | nat. gas  | 189          | (used for pilot - ignition only) |                                |                      |                |                             |                        |
| 2. | oil       | 98           | 0.0033                           | 0.00011                        |                      |                |                             |                        |
| 3. |           |              |                                  |                                |                      |                |                             |                        |
| 4. |           |              |                                  |                                |                      |                |                             |                        |
| 5. |           |              |                                  |                                |                      |                |                             |                        |

Use the appropriate units for each fuel

|             |         |         |          |      |      |      |
|-------------|---------|---------|----------|------|------|------|
| Natural Gas | Therms* | BTU/Hr  | N/A      | N/A  | N/A  | N/A  |
| Other Gas   | MSCF*   | MSCF/Hr | BTU/MSCF | ppm  | N/A  | N/A  |
| Liquid      | MGAL*   | MGAL/Hr | BTU/MGAL | wt % | wt % | wt % |
| Solid       | TONS    | Ton/Hr  | BTU/Ton  | wt % | wt % | wt % |

## SECTION B: Emission Factors (OPTIONAL)

|    | Fuel Name | Particulates<br>Emission Factor<br>**Basis | NOx<br>Emission Factor<br>**Basis | CO<br>Emission Factor<br>**Basis | Other<br>Emission Factor<br>**Basis | Other<br>Emission Factor<br>**Basis |
|----|-----------|--|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 1. |           |  |                                   |                                  |                                     |                                     |
| 2. |           |  |                                   |                                  |                                     |                                     |
| 3. |           |  |                                   |                                  |                                     |                                     |
| 4. |           |  |                                   |                                  |                                     |                                     |
| 5. |           |  |                                   |                                  |                                     |                                     |

Use the appropriate units for each fuel

|             |          |
|-------------|----------|
| Natural Gas | lb/Therm |
| Other Gas   | lb/MSCF  |
| Liquid      | lb/MGAL  |
| Solid       | lb/Ton   |

## NOTES:

- \* MSCF = thousand standard cubic feet
- \* MGAL = thousand gallons
- \* Therm = 100,000 BTU
- \*\* See tables below for Fuel and Basis Codes
- \*\*\* Total Annual Usage is: Projected usage over next 12 months if equipment is new or modified.  
: Actual usage for last 12 months if equipment is existing and unchanged.

## FUEL CODES

| CODE | FUEL                  | CODE | FUEL                        |
|------|-----------------------|------|-----------------------------|
| 25   | Anthracite Coal       | 189  | Natural Gas                 |
| 33   | Bagasse               | 234  | Process Gas - Blast Furnace |
| 35   | Bark                  | 235  | Process Gas - CO            |
| 43   | Bituminous Coal       | 236  | Process Gas - Coke Oven Gas |
| 47   | Brown Coal            | 238  | Process Gas - RMC           |
| 242  | Bunker C Fuel Oil     | 237  | Process Gas - Other         |
| 80   | Coke                  | 242  | Residual Oil                |
| 89   | Crude Oil             | 495  | RDF                         |
| 98   | Diesel Oil            | 493  | Sludge Gas                  |
| 493  | Digester Gas          | 256  | Solid Propellant            |
| 100  | Distillate Oil        | 257  | Solid Waste                 |
| 128  | Gasoline              | 304  | Wood - Hugged               |
| 158  | Jet Fuel              | 305  | Wood - Other                |
| 160  | LPG                   | 198  | Other - Gaseous Fuels       |
| 165  | Lignite               | 200  | Other - Liquid Fuels        |
| 167  | Liquid Waste          | 203  | Other - Solid Fuels         |
| 494  | Municipal Solid Waste |      |                             |

## BASIS CODES

| CODE | METHOD   |
|------|--|
| 0    | Not applicable for this pollutant  |
| 1    | Source testing or other measurement by plant (attach copy)                     |
| 2    | Source testing or other measurement by BAAQMD (give date)                      |
| 3    | Specifications from vendor (attach copy)                                       |
| 4    | Material balance by plant using engineering expertise and knowledge of process |
| 5    | Material balance by BAAQMD   |
| 6    | Taken from AP-42 (Compilation of Air Pollutant Emission Factors, EPA)          |
| 7    | Taken from literature, other than AP-42 (attach copy)                          |
| 8    | Guess  |

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DATA FORM P  
Emission Point

Form P is for well-defined emission points such as stacks or chimneys only; do not use for windows, room vents, etc.

Business Name: San Jose State University Plant No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Emission Point No.: P

With regard to air pollutant flow into this emission point,  
what source(s) and/or abatement device(s) are immediately upstream?

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S   S   S   A   A   A   A

Exit Cross-section Area: 0.05 Square feet   Height above grade: 15 Feet

Effluent Flow from Stack:

|                          | Typical Operating Condition | Maximum Operating Condition |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Actual Wet Gas Flow Rate | cfm                         | 16 cfm                      |
| Percent Water Vapor      | Vol %                       | 11 Vol %                    |
| Temperature              | °F                          | 2200 °F                     |

If this stack is equipped to measure (monitor) the emission of any air pollutants.

-is monitoring continuous? yes

-what pollutants are monitored? CO, SO<sub>2</sub>, NO<sub>x</sub>

Person Completing this Form S.M. Kreidenweis Date 7-30-90

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PLANT DATA P-201

San Jose State University

BUSINESS NAME

OTHER BUSINESS NAME(S) IF ANY

NAME OF PARENT COMPANY IF ANY

PLANT IDENTIFICATION NUMBER

PLANT IDENTIFICATION NUMBERS ARE  
ASSIGNED BY THE BAAQMD. LEAVE BLANK  
IF NUMBER IS NOT KNOWN.

[ 408 ] 924 - 4010

PLANT TELEPHONE NUMBER

PLANT ADDRESS 1 Washington Square

San Jose, CA 95192-0082

CITY STATE ZIP CODE

MAILING ADDRESS

CITY STATE ZIP CODE

PLANT AREA (ACRES)

NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES

PRINCIPAL PRODUCT

OWNERSHIP

[ ] PRIVATE

[ ] UTILITY

[ ] LOCAL GOVERNMENT

[x] STATE GOVERNMENT CSU System

[ ] FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

PLEASE SUBMIT A NAME AND ADDRESS TO WHOM  
ALL CORRESPONDENCE REGARDING AIR POLLUTION  
CONTROL CAN BE SENT.

S. M. Kreidenweis.

CONTACT NAME AND ADDRESS

Dept. of Chemical Engineering, SJSU

STREET ADDRESS

San Jose, CA 95192-0082

CITY STATE ZIP CODE

S. M. Kreidenweis, Assistant Professor  
NAME AND TITLE OF PERSON PREPARING THIS FORM

July 31, 1990  
DATE

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BAAQMD PLANT NO. \_\_\_\_\_

APPLICATION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

APPLICATION FOR AUTHORITY TO CONSTRUCT AND PERMIT TO OPERATE  
INDUSTRIAL SOURCES

BUSINESS NAME San Jose State University, Department of Chemical Engineering  
MAILING ADDRESS 1 Washington Square CITY/ZIP CODE San Jose 95192-0082  
PLANT ADDRESS same CITY/ZIP CODE \_\_\_\_\_  
NAME OF CONTACT S. M. Kreidenweis PHONE 408-924-4010  
EQUIPMENT DESCRIPTION Liquid-Injection Incinerator Laboratory

NUMBER OF SOURCES [ ] NEW CONSTRUCTION [X] MODIFICATION [ ] REPLACEMENT [ ]  
RELOCATION [ ] DEMOLITION OR SHUT DOWN [ ] TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP [ ]  
( ABATEMENT EQUIPMENT ONLY [ ]

HAS AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (EIR) BEEN PREPARED FOR THIS PROJECT? YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO X

IF YES, BY WHOM? \_\_\_\_\_

IS THIS APPLICATION A RESULT OF A VIOLATION NOTICE? YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO X

IF YES, GIVE THE VIOLATION NOTICE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL EMISSIONS FOR THIS APPLICATION: \_\_\_\_\_

| EMISSIONS IN LB/HR |      |        |        |      |
|--------------------|------|--------|--------|------|
| TSP                | NMHC | SOx    | NOx    | CO   |
| 0                  | 0    | 0.0016 | 0.0043 | 0.29 |

TYPICAL USAGE RATE: HOURS/DAY \_\_\_\_\_; DAYS/WEEK \_\_\_\_\_; HOURS per YEAR \_\_\_\_\_; ~~WEEKS~~/YEAR 30

ARE OFFSETS OR TRADEOFFS INVOLVED IN THIS APPLICATION? YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO X

IF YES, GIVE DOCUMENTS AND PAGE NUMBERS ON WHICH THIS INFORMATION IS PROVIDED: \_\_\_\_\_

(OVER)

HAVE YOU PROVIDED AN AIR QUALITY ANALYSIS? YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO X

( IF YES, GIVE DOCUMENTS AND PAGE NUMBERS ON WHICH THIS INFORMATION IS PROVIDED: \_\_\_\_\_

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS SHOULD ACCOMPANY THIS APPLICATION:

(a) Process Flow Diagram (if applicable) and; (b) a description or manufacturer's catalogue of equipment and air pollution abatement equipment. (See AB884-Lists and Criteria for further details.

IMPORTANT: All information that you submit will be considered as public information unless you indicate that it is considered TRADE SECRET and give the reasons.

[ X ] ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

SIGNATURE *S.M. Kreidenweis* TITLE Assistant Professor  
NAME (PRINTED) S.M. Kreidenweis DATE July 28, 1990

NOTE: PERMITS FOR YOUR PROJECT MAY ALSO BE REQUIRED FROM OTHER AGENCIES. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, YOU SHOULD CONTACT THE LOCAL CITY OR COUNTY OFFICE IN WHICH THE PROPOSED PROJECT WILL BE LOCATED. ALSO, THE OFFICE OF PERMIT ASSISTANCE WITHIN THE OFFICE OF PLANNING AND RESEARCH IN SACRAMENTO IS AVAILABLE TO PROVIDE INFORMATION ON PERMITTING. THE ADDRESS IS AS FOLLOWS:

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Sacramento, California 95814

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## Appendix E. Operating Manual Instructions

These instructions consist of two parts: part one is for operating the incineration process, and part two is for operating the data acquisition system.

### Part 1. Operating the Incineration Process

#### (I) Start Up Procedures

1. Make sure all supply lines are closed.
2. Supply power to the cabinet.
3. Open the oil supply valve (for incineration of the oil only).
4. Supply power to the oil pump.
5. Make sure the right range of pressure of compressed air (25 - 35 psi).
6. Open the atomizing air valve.
7. Make sure natural gas pressure in a range (8 - 12 in H<sub>2</sub>O).
8. Close the vent valve of the gas line.
9. Open the natural gas supply valve.
10. Put the PLC in RUN mode.
  - (a) Press RUN button.
  - (b) Press +/- button until <RUN Mode> appears.

(c) Press Enter button.

11. Follow the procedure for specific incineration type.

(II) Procedures Specific to Fuel Used

\*\*\* Procedures for incineration of natural gas only \*\*\*

1. Select gas (Gas Selection Switch).
2. Turn on the key (ON/OFF Switch).
3. Push the Purge Start button.  
Wait for the Purge Complete Indicator on for 2 minutes.  
Wait for the Natural Gas Limits Indicator on.
4. Push the Pilot Start button.  
Wait for the Pilot Indicator on.
5. Push the Main Gas Start button.  
Wait for the Gas On Indicator on.
6. Push the Stop button when done.  
Wait for the air fan to go off (2 minutes).
7. Turn off the key (ON/OFF Switch).

\*\*\* Procedures for incineration of light oil only \*\*\*

1. Select oil (Oil Selection Switch).
2. Turn on the key (ON/OFF Switch).
3. Push the Purge Start Button.  
Wait for the Purge Complete Indicator on (2 minutes).  
Wait for the Natural Gas Limits Indicator on.
4. Push the Pilot Start button.

Wait for the Pilot Indicator on.

5. Push the Oil Start button.

Wait for the Oil Indicator on.

6. Push the Stop button when done.

Wait for the air fan to go off (2 minutes).

7. Turn off the key (ON/OFF Switch).

\*\*\* Procedures for incineration of heavy viscosity oil \*\*\*

1. Select the Gas and Oil Switch.

2. Turn on the key (ON/OFF Switch).

3. Push the Purge Start button.

Wait for the PUrge Complete Indicator on (2 minutes).

Wait for the Natural Gas Limits Indicator on.

4. Push the Pilot Start button.

Wait for the Pilot Indicator on.

5. Push the Main Gas Start button.

Wait for the Gas On Indicator on.

6. Push the Oil Start button.

Wait for the Oil On Indicator on.

7. Push the Stop button when done.

Wait for the air fan to go off (2 minutes).

8. Turn off the key (ON/OFF Switch).



#### (III) Normal Shut Down Procedures

1. Put the PLC in Stop mode.
  - (a) Press RUN button.
  - (b) Press +/- button until <STOP Mode> appears.
  - (c) Press Enter button.
2. Open the vent valve of the gas line.
3. Close the oil, atomizing air, and natural gas supply valves.
4. Shut off power to the cabinet.

#### (IV) Emergency Shut Down Procedures

The conditions, which described in section 7.1 D', need corrective action to restart the system.

1. Push the Stop button.

Wait for the air fan to go off (2 minutes).
2. Put the PLC in STOP mode.
  - (a) Press RUN button.
  - (b) Press +/- button until <STOP Mode> appears.
  - (c) Press Enter button.
3. Go back to step 3 in part (II).

For example, if the flame is out because of underpressure of natural gas, the solenoid valves for the main gas, pilot gas, and oil lines will be shut off automatically. The

indicator lights of main gas, oil, pilot, and gas pressure limits will be off. In this case, restart the system following the emergency shut down procedures.

## Part 2. Operating the Data Acquisition System

### (I) Start Up the Emission Analyzer

1. Insert the water trap into the opening provided that is located on the hinged side of the faceplate.
2. Connect the hose end of the stack probe to the top of the water trap, and the RS-232 cable end to its corresponding connector on the faceplate.
3. Turn the analyzer on. Make sure that the "Battery OK" light on. The Display should read: "Press ENTER to AUTOZERO".
4. Press the ENTER key.

### (II) Start up the Data Acquisition System

5. Supply power to the computer and the data acquisition metal box.
6. Turn on the computer.
7. Type CD\123, and press ENTER to change directory.

(III) Store the Data from the Emission Analyzer Using  
RS-232 Module

8. Type 123 RS-232, and press ENTER.
9. Type /FR, select TEST.WK1, and press ENTER to retrieve the file which is used for storage of data.
10. Press ALT and F9 simultaneously to get into the main manu of the RS-232 module.
11. Type SNR, and press ENTER to retrieve the file (GAS.RCF) which contains information for data acquisition between the instrumentations and the computer. If any information needs to be changed, do it following the instruction of the Data Acquisition Module Reference.
11. Type Q.
12. Select CAPTURE-RANGE, and press ENTER to collect the data from the emission analyzer. A rectangular line will be shown on the computer screen.
13. Press TEXT on the emission analyzer as soon as possible in order for the data to be transferred to the computer.
14. Press ENTER to store the data.
15. Type /FS, press ENTER, and select REPLACE to save the data in the file.
16. Type /QY to get out of the RS-232 module.

(IV) Store the Data of Temperatures and Flow Rates

Using Lab-PC Module

- 17.Type 123 MIO, and press ENTER.
- 18.Type /FR, and select TEST.WK1, and press ENTER to retrieve the file which is used for storage of data.
- 19.Press ALT and F8 simultaneously to get into the main manu of the Lab-PC module.
- 20.Type INR, and press ENTER to retrieve the file (ANALOG.ACF) which contains information for data acquisition between the instrumentations and the computer.  
If any information needs to be changed, do it following the instruction of the Data Acquisition Module Reference.
- 21.Type Q.
- 22.Type G to acquire the data, temperatures and flow rates.  
Wait until the main menu appears.
- 23.Type Q. All data will be on the computer screen.
- 24.Type /QY to get out of this file.

## Appendix F. Federal Regulation and Standards [25]

Two types of standards are established to protect the public health; Ambient Air Quality Standards (AAQS's), which deal with concentrations of pollutants in the outdoor atmosphere, and National Source Performance Standards (NSPS's), which apply to emissions of pollutants from specific sources. AAQS's are written in terms of concentration ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  or ppm), and have been established for six groups of pollutants: particulates (of any kind), sulfur oxides, nitrogen oxides, carbon monoxide, ozone, and lead. These standards are presented in Table 16. Primary standards were established to protect the public health, whereas the secondary standards were established to protect the public well-being.

NSPS's, which are written in terms of mass emissions per unit of time or unit of production ( $\text{g}/\text{min}$  or kg of pollutant per ton of product produced), are derived generally from actual field tests at a number of industrial plants. Some examples are given in Table 17.

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